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## NITISH KUMAR AGREES TO LET SON NISHANT ENTER POLITICS

**Eschewing aversion for "dynasty politics", Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Tuesday agreed to launch his only son Nishant in politics**

### JUBILATION AT JD(U) HEADQUARTERS IN PATNA

The announcement came from state Rural Development Minister and senior party leader Shrawon Kumar, who has been a close aide of the JD(U) supremo since the Samata Party days, in the 1990s. Party workers distributed sweets, smeared each other's faces with 'gulaal' and raised slogans to express delight over the political entry of their supremo's son

### AN ENGINEER KEEN ABOUT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

- Five Rajya Sabha seats from Bihar are going to polls and the BJP and JD(U) hold two seats apiece. Nishant, known to be reticent but with a good grasp of public affairs, may replace Harivansh Narayan Singh
- Former state BJP president Dilip Jaiswal said, "If Nitish Kumar's son enters politics, it's great... time for a new generation to emerge"

48-yr-old

**NISHANT IS SINGLE AND HAS A DEGREE IN ENGINEERING**

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

**787** The latest war toll in Iran, according to the Iranian Red Crescent

**153** Countries affected in some way or the other by the war

**1,039** Attacks by US, Israel across Iran. Qatar joined the pounding

An explosion in UAE's Fujairah after drone debris fell on a part of the oil industrial zone | AP/PTI

# W ASIA BURNS
## AS BOTH SIDES GO FULL BLAST

**AGENCIES** @ Tehran, Tel Aviv

THE West Asia war is showing no signs of abatement. Iran stepped up its attacks on economic targets and US missions across West Asia on Tuesday as President Donald Trump warned it was "too late" for the Islamic republic to seek talks.

As drones and missiles crashed into oil facilities and US embassies in the Gulf, Israel bombarded targets in Iran and pushed troops deeper into Lebanon to battle the Tehran-backed militia Hezbollah.

US President Donald Trump on Tuesday boasted of wide damage on Iran. "Just about everything's been knocked out," Trump said. Later, he said "someone from within Iranian regime might be the best choice to take over after the war."

As if to underline Trump's new stance, loud blasts echoed around downtown Tehran. According to Iranian media, US-Israeli strikes targeted the 'Assembly of Experts' building in Qom, housing the panel electing Iran's new supreme leader.

Israel's military said its air force struck industrial sites "throughout Iran" used to produce ballistic missiles, to pre-empt their use.

Iran soon struck the US Embassy in Saudi Arabia's Riyadh and in Kuwait City with a drone. The strike in Riyadh caused part of its roof to collapse. In Kuwait City, the vicinity of the US embassy was hit by two drone strikes from Iran, with no casualties.

With Iran bombing Gulf monarchies on whim, the US ambassador in Israel asked Americans to move out on their own. "The US Embassy is not in a position at this time to evacuate or directly assist Americans in departing Israel," Mike Huckabee wrote on X.

Earlier Tuesday, IAEA said Iran's Natanz site sustained "some recent damage", but "no radiological consequence was expected."

Israel's Foreign Minister Gideon Saar urged foreign capitals to cut all ties with Tehran. China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi warned Saar that Beijing opposes the strikes. **P14**

### WAR WATCH

**SAUDI ARABIA**

**US embassy hit by drones**

An attack from two drones on the US Embassy in Riyadh caused a "limited fire". The embassy urged Americans to avoid the compound

**ISRAEL**

**Tel Aviv hit injures 7**

At least seven people were seriously wounded after a salvo of missiles fired from Iran hit the capital city Tel Aviv

**QATAR**

**Loud blasts heard in Doha**

AFP journalists in the Qatari capital of Doha heard more explosions on Tuesday, as Iran carried out a fourth day of attacks in Gulf countries

**UAE**

**Intercepts 11 missiles**

UAE said it intercepted 11 ballistic missiles and 123 drones Tuesday, while one missile landed within the country sans any casualties

**IRAN**

**Urges UNSC to stop the war**

Iran urged the United Nations Security Council to take action to stop the war. " If UNSC wishes, it can certainly act to stop the war"

# Thoughts on education, public service, dissent and AI enliven TNIE's conclave

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**
@ Chennai

WEST BENGAL Governor Dr C V Ananda Bose on Tuesday recalled a quote from the Kothari Commission Report, "destiny of India is being shaped in her classrooms", to underscore the relationship between education, public service, and nation-building at the ThinkEdu Conclave 2026 held in Chennai on Tuesday.

Speaking on the second day of the event presented by the Tata Group and Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) with Rajalakshmi Group of Institutions as title sponsor, Dr Bose said that Viksit Bharat 2047 mission can be achieved only through the path of education.

Bihar Governor Arif Mohammed Khan reflected on the controversial Shah Bano case, and spoke on what it means to be a "Liberal Muslim" in India today.

Swami Suddhidananda, president of Advaita Ashrama, initiated the day's discussions with a reminder that education must also enrich the spiritual and moral centres within students. Dr Sudha Seshayyan, former V-C, MGR Medical University, also highlighted the need for value-driven education.

Dr Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit, Vice-Chancellor of JNU, Dr Sunaina Singh, former V-C of Nalanda University, and Dr Thangam Meganathan, Chairperson, Rajalakshmi Group of Institutions, stressed on the importance of responsible dissent.

Sachin Pilot, senior Congress leader, commented on the fleeting nature of political ideologies in India. Senior BJP leader Dr Tamilisai Soundarajan and DMK MP Dr Kanimozhi Somu brought the discussion closer home, highlighting the power, pains, and representation of youth in TN's charged political landscape.

Advocating for the 'Dravidian Model', Tamil Nadu School Education Minister Dr Anbil Mahesh highlighted the state's strides in inclusive education, while IT Minister Dr Palanivel Thiyaga Rajan outlined its economic success story.

Driving the importance of self-reliance in emerging technologies, Prof V Kamakoti, Director of IIT Madras, explored India's roadmap to AI sovereignty. Prof Pawan Goyal of IIT Kharagpur, and author Sairam Surenderasan explained how AI is already disrupting education.

Senior BJP leader K Annamalai called for a major overhaul in the civil services, while former TN chief secretary V Irai Anbu batted for purpose-driven public servants.

ThinkEdu 2026, with over 30 riveting sessions and 45 speakers across two days, represented the continuation of a 14-year legacy of championing the excellence of Indian thought.

**FULL COVERAGE: P7**

TNIE Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla and Editor Santwana Bhattacharya presenting a memento to West Bengal Governor Dr CV Ananda Bose at ThinkEdu Conclave; (right) Bihar Governor Arif Mohammed Khan | P JAWAHAR, ASHWIN PRASATH

# Govt sets up inter-ministerial group to monitor, manage crisis

**PUSHPITA DEY** @ New Delhi

THE Ministry of Commerce held a consultation meeting on Tuesday with key ministries, logistics operators, and trade facilitation bodies to assess potential risks to exports and imports due to the ongoing geopolitical turmoil. An Inter-Ministerial Group for Supply Chain Resilience has also been created to aid Indian exporters amid the growing geopolitical crisis.

The group comprises members from the ministries of finance, external affairs, shipping, and petroleum, to facilitate coordination monitoring and follow-up to ensure continuity in trade flows.

Some of the measures include flexibility in export-related authorisation and steps to prevent cargo bottlenecks.

With the ongoing Iran-Israel conflict, exporters fear severe disruptions in logistics, spike in freight cost and longer transit time. As a big share of India's crude oil passes through the Strait of Hormuz, fuel prices can rise.

However, government sources said India has crude oil reserves and refined petroleum products that could weather disruptions for up to eight weeks. **P11**

**AI operates relief flights**

Air India on Tuesday deployed a wide-body aircraft with 350 seats to Jeddah and another plane with 300 seats to Dubai to bring back stranded passengers

# Tightrope walk for Siddu, Centre's revenue cuts will strain Budget '26-27

**DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI** @ Bengaluru

THE Centre-State stalemate is likely to continue as Chief Minister Siddaramaiah presents his 17th budget for Karnataka on Friday. The numbers show it will be a tightrope walk for Siddaramaiah, who will have to factor in deep cuts in revenue from the Centre.

The budget is likely to be marked by the state's non-cooperation on release of grants for Central schemes, and loss of revenue due to GST rate rationalization.

Allocations under Grant-in-Aid (GIA) and contributions from the Centre show a staggering negative growth of -27.25 per cent; against the budget estimate (BE) of Rs 16,000 crore, the Centre has released Rs 8,787.68crore (52.92%) up to January 2026. Besides the loss of about Rs 9,000crore revenue due to GST rate rationalisation, the State will bear a burden of over Rs 2,200crore as part of its 40 per cent share to implement the VB-G RAM-G employment guarantee scheme, and Rs 13,000crore shortfall of grants towards Jal Jeevan Mission.

The Policy and Planning Commission headed by MLA BR Patil submitted a report to the government, recommending that the budget speech include the Centre's non-cooperation with the State on funds for Central schemes, and lack of response to Karnataka's request to start an AIIMS in Raichur.

Revenue shortfall from the state is Rs 15,000crore to Rs 18,000crore for 2025-26, and is mostly attributed to the Revenue department's initiative of e-khata, which is compulsory for registration of properties. The Stamps and Registration department collected Rs 20,000cr as against an estimate of Rs 28,000cr in January. Commercial taxes also showed a bit of sluggishness (6.96 per cent growth year on year). **P4**

# Woman dies in fire at her home in Rajajinagar

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**
@ Bengaluru

A 55-year-old woman died, while three members of her family escaped unhurt after a fire, suspected to have been caused by a short-circuit, broke out at their residence in Rajajinagar on Monday night. The woman, who was trapped in a room on the third floor, died due to asphyxiation, the police said.

The deceased, Savitha -- a homemaker, was married to Ramesh Babu DR (59), a contractor. The couple have a son, Vishrut, who is in his 20s. The family stays in a three-storey building in 2nd Stage, D Block, Rajajinagar.

The fire broke out between 9.30 pm and 9.45 pm on Monday in a room on the third floor. The ground and first floors of the house, owned by Ramesh, are rented out. The family stays in a duplex portion on the second and third floors. Ramesh and his mother, Channamma, were on the second floor watching television. **P3**

**EXPRESS READ**

**RCB to play five IPL home matches at Chinnaswamy Stadium**

Bengaluru: Defending champions Royal Challengers Bengaluru will play five home matches at Chinnaswamy Stadium and two home games in Raipur for the 2026 IPL season. Chinnaswamy will host the final, in addition to a playoff match | **P17**

**Bear kills goat herder in Hosapete, villagers beat animal to death**

Kudligi (Hosapete): A 45-year-old goat herder was mauled to death by a bear at Halasagara village in Gudekote of Kudligi taluk on Monday afternoon. Later, an enraged group of villagers tracked the animal down and beat it to death | **P5**

T20 HIT-WAVE ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP

**Today's Match**

**7pm:** South Africa vs New Zealand **(1st Semi-Final)** (Kolkata)

**SA vs NZ: FIRST SEMIS IN KOLKATA**

On Wednesday, South Africa face New Zealand in the first semifinal of the T20 World Cup. The African side has an advantage over their opponents after remaining unbeaten until now. To add to that, they even got the better of Kiwis in the group stage. More importantly they seem to be a well-rounded unit and the conditions here suit them better. **P17**

# Pristine Bettahalasur to go to dumps? BSWML plans waste facility there

**MOHAMMED YACOOB** @Bengaluru

TWENTY-FOUR kilometres away from Bengaluru, around 16 villages spread across three Gram Panchayats are involved in allied agriculture activity and dairy farming, free from air, water and soil pollution.

One of them, Bettahalasuru Gram Panchayat, had won the Gandhi Puraskar in the past for best practices in waste segregation, as it achieved 98 percent waste segregation at source. The peace enjoyed by these villagers, whoever, is threatened by the notification issued by the Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited (BSWML).

Last week, the BSWML issued a notification to start an 826-tonne Material Recovery Facility here, leaving villagers with the fear of pollution and groundwater contamination.

Pavithra, a resident of Tharahunise who works as an Operations Manager with Eco-Grama, an NGO involved in waste segregation in Bettahalasur GP, said the villagers fear groundwater pollution and the plant may endanger live stocks besides causing diseases like cancer, due to the daily dumping of 826 tonnes of waste for a Material Recovery Facility (MRF) at Tharahunise village.

As the news spread, villagers held a signature campaign and handed over an objection letter to the local MLA and Bengaluru Urban Deputy Commissioner to stall the project, and the Bettahalasur GP has also sent a show-cause notice to BSWML seeking an explanation on the purpose of such a facility and its impact on the village and the environment.

Pavithra said, as per the 2011 census, 15,000 voting population was found in Bettahalasur gram panchayat and says that two major water lakes, Sadenahalli lake (Rajankunte GP) and Thimmasandra lake (Bettahalasuru GP), are around 1 km from the proposed facility. **P2**

# Nod to acquire 60 transport aircraft

**JAVARIA RANA** @ New Delhi

THE Defence Procurement Board (DPB) has cleared the acquisition of 60 medium transport aircraft for the IAF, setting in motion a long-pending plan to renew its tactical airlift fleet.

Sources said the DPB, chaired by Defence Secretary R K Singh, met on Monday and cleared the proposal. The board vets capital acquisition proposals before they move to the Defence Acquisition Council for Acceptance of Necessity, following which the process moves to tendering, trials, negotiations and contract award.

The acquisition, estimated at around ₹1 lakh crore, will be pursued under the 'Buy and Make' route, with 12 aircraft to be acquired in flyaway condition and the remaining 48 to be manufactured in India in partnership with the domestic industry, sources said.

File pix of C-390 Millennium

The requirement centres on replacing the An-32 fleet. The new aircraft are also expected to take on some roles of the ageing Il-76. The aircraft being sought must be capable of operating in high-altitude environments and from short, semi-prepared or unpaved surfaces, including Advanced Landing Grounds in Ladakh and the Northeast.

A three-way contest is taking shape, with each contender offering a different mix of capability and industrial alignment. Sources said the contest is expected to be closely fought between Brazil's Embraer, which has partnered with Mahindra Defence for this bid and US-based Lockheed Martin, which has a long-standing manufacturing partnership with Tata Advanced Systems.

Embraer has offered the C-390 Millennium, a jet-powered aircraft with a payload of around 26 tonnes, placing it at the upper end of the IAF's requirement. Lockheed's C-130J Super Hercules (20 tonnes) and Airbus' A400M Atlas (30+ tonnes) are also in the race.

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- **Wednesday:** 04.03.2026
- **Year:** Vishwavasu
- **Ayana:** Uttharayana
- **Ritu:** Sishir
- **Masa:** Phalguna
- **Paksha:** Krishna
- **Tithi:** Prathami 4.26 pm
- **Nakshatra:** Purvphalguni 7.25am
- **Moon in** Kanya Rashi
- **Rahukaala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30pm
- **Gulikakala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
- **Yamaganda:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am

**WEATHER**

MIN 18°C | MAX 33°C

**FORECAST** SUNNY

Sunrise 06.34 am
Sunset 06.29 pm
Moonrise 07.18 pm
Moonset 06.57 am

# SEGREGATE YOUR WASTE, OR GBA WILL DUMP IT AT YOUR DOORSTEP

Pourakarmikas should refuse, report; contractors to be fined for collecting mixed waste

**MOHAMMED YACOOB** @Bengaluru

THE Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited (BSWML), which had terrorised the public littering waste at street corners by tracing them and dumping loads of waste at their doorstep, penalised and also resorted to public shame, is all set to relaunch its garbage at doorstep drive against litterbugs.

In the coming days, BWSML is likely to dump an auto tipper load of garbage at the door step of those sending mixed waste.

A senior official from the BSWML environmental engineering wing said Bengaluru generates 5,500 metric tonnes of waste daily, and at present, only 2,300 tonnes of segregated waste is being sent to the processing plant while the rest is going to Bellahalli.

"We want to increase segregated waste capacity by another 1,500 metric tonnes by May for recycling. In this regard, a meeting with all the stakeholders was held in which contractors, senior engineers and marshals were also present. A direction was given to increase awareness of waste segregation. The contractors will be penalised for collecting and sending mixed waste," said the official.

A file picture of garbage being dumped at a resident's doorstep| EXPRESS

Pourakarmikas will be asked to refuse mixed waste and report the residents giving mixed waste despite repeated appeals. Municipal engineers will also be directed for inspection to check if the pourakarmikas mix waste while taking in the auto tippers. "The process of inspection and tough action is to streamline collection and segregation. The Kasa Mukta application developer was taking too much time to develop it. Now that the BSWML has managed to get software to track total waste collection ward-wise, the information, education and communication (IEC) activity on the importance of waste segregation and others will be intensified and will also resort to dumping waste against litterbugs," said the engineer.

> **The process of inspection and tough action is to streamline collection and segregation. The Kasa Mukta application developer was taking too much time to develop it**
>
> BSWML engineer

## 'Proposed facility may pollute groundwater'

**It is only dry waste collection centre, says top official**

A senior official from BSWML said the villagers need not fear as the facility is only a dry waste collection centre and shredding, sorting activities will be done. "We will convince the villagers to cooperate as this facility will not harm environment in any way," said the engineer.

**Know the neighbourhood**

Gram Panchayats and villages in and around the proposed MRF by BSWML

Betthalsuru Gram Panchayat: Tharahunise, Betthalsuru, Thimmasandra, Agrahara, Kudrugere, Gadenahalli, Nellukunte, Sugghatta, Papanahalli and Narayanpura.

Jalige Gram Panchayat: Kamenahalli, Bettenahalli and Margondahalli.

Rajankunte Gram Panchayat: Sadenahalli, Addiganahalli and Rajankunte.

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THE facility may cause risk to people and the water source. "The truck carrying such a huge quantity of waste will damage village roads, apart from seepage of leachate as segregation has failed in Bengaluru. Ground water source is likely to get polluted and the flies from the facility may damage the crop and also cause infection to livestock," said Pavithra.

The villagers say, as per the tender document, BSWML will have around 18 acres of land here, and seven acres will be used for MRF, the remaining will be used for bio methanisation plant. "The same trick was used in Mandur, then the area was turned into a landfill and the groundwater was polluted. The same fear is among the villagers here, hence they have objected to MRF. The facility also falls under the international flight operation zone as Kempegowda International Airport is close by, and due to garbage, the birds may cause flight accidents as well," said Pavithra.

BM Praveen, Vice-President, Bettahalasuru Gram Panchayat, said the villagers will not budge even if compensation or 'better' infrastructure is promised. "Once such a facility comes in, the village may start to stink, and our fate will end up like that of Mandur and Mavallipura villages. The groundwater in Mavallipura is polluted. We will not allow any such facility in our Gram Panchayat and neighbouring panchayat limits," he said.

GBA Chief M Maheshwar Rao addresses a meeting| EXPRESS

### Multi-storeyed buildings must have separate bins: Rao

BENGALURU: To address waste management issues, GBA Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao said that buildings with more than three floors must mandatorily install separate bins for wet and dry waste on their premises. He was speaking at a public grievance meeting within the jurisdiction of the Bengaluru East City Corporation (BECC). Responding to concerns over the widening of Borewell Road, Rao said that abandoned properties reserved for road expansion must be taken over by BECC and road development works undertaken. Addressing complaints about waste being dumped along roadsides and in vacant sites within BECC limits, as well as irregularities in door-to-door waste collection, Rao instructed officials to identify problem areas and prepare a micro plan to systematically resolve waste management issues. Officials were also asked to inspect major roads in the KR Puram Assembly constituency and prepare a list identifying stretches where footpaths require repairs and where new footpaths need to be constructed.

EDUCATION MATTERS

## Recruit teachers, implement SEP: Educationists

**RASHMI PATIL** @Bengaluru

WHILE working towards improving the social and economic status of people to bring in equality, the state government needs a larger focus on the education sector in the upcoming budget.

In the 2025-26 budget, of the total outlay of Rs 4,09,549 crore, Rs 45,286 crore, or a bit over 10%, was allocated for school education. Though it was 2% lower than what was set aside in 2024-25, funds increased by Rs 864 crore.

In this year's budget, academics and educationists want the state government to release the entire allocation in one go, instead of in instalments, for the overall development of schools and colleges. They urged the government to upload the State Education Policy report in the public domain, pass it in both Houses of the legislature after review and implement it from the next academic year.

Dr Niranjanaradhya VP, developmental educationist, said, "The needs of schools and children vary according to regions. Of the total 59,772 vacant teacher posts in high schools and primary schools, 26,000 are in the Kalyana-Karnataka region. In Dakshina Kannada and Udupi, school buildings are quite old and classrooms leak and there is seepage on the walls during the rainy season. In Bengaluru, Mysuru and other regions, the infrastructure is good, but the number of children opting for government schools has reduced as majority of them want to go to private schools."

RUN-UP TO BUDGET

Though the allocation for education is big, the government is failing to spend it systematically on the ground, he said. "The dropout rate in high schools is at a high of 22%. The government should reintroduce the scheme of providing bicycles to girl students. This will bring children back to schools and will also gradually motivate girls to join government schools. The government should formulate a clear roadmap to robustly implement all the elements of the Right to Education Act (RTE), 2009."

Karnataka too should implement a Public Education System Revitalisation Programme similar to Kerala to improve primary and high school education, academics opined. They emphasised how decentralised and autonomous functioning at regional, district and block levels will help meet the needs of schools adequately.

The government should allocate at least 10% of the Gross State Domestic Product for education this year to provide quality education, academics suggested.

## RTI activist demands TDR buy-back system

**ENS** @ Bengaluru

PEOPLE who part with their land for development projects are given Transferable Development Rights (TDR). However, with the introduction of premium Floor Area Ratio (FAR) by GBA, the TDR system has lost its relevance, BH Veeresh, RTI activist said on Tuesday. He demanded that the state government come up with a TDR buy-back system or ensure a minimum value guarantee for landowners.

In a letter to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and DCM DK Shivakumar, he said without conducting any 'existing infrastructure study', 'impact study' and 'absorption study' on the implications of premium FAR, GBA had introduced it.

While the government generates more revenue, it has not conducted any study on water availability, capacity of underground drainage system, and environmental impacts on the city due to the permission for additional construction, Veeresh said.

**HUES OF HOLI**

People play with colours during Holi celebrations at Seshadripuram in Bengaluru on Tuesday. The festival signifies the triumph of good over evil | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

### GBA polls: JDS sets 7-day deadline to identify candidates

Janata Dal Secular (JDS) leader HM Ramesh Gowda said on Monday that his party has set a seven-day deadline to identify its candidates for GBA elections. Addressing JDS leaders here, he said the party will contest all 369 wards in the five corporations under GBA. The final list of candidates will be approved by JDS state president HD Kumaraswamy. Ramesh Gowda said candidates must be shortlisted at the earliest as per the directives of the JDS leadership. Candidates' organisational strength and winnability factors will be considered for selection. Stating that JDS is planning to organise a mega convention in Bengaluru soon, he appealed to all party workers to work towards making it a success.

## West City Corpn lists 61 properties for auction

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @ Bengaluru

CONTINUING its action against long-term property tax defaulters, the Bengaluru West City Corporation (BWCC) has listed 61 properties for auction. Sangappa, the joint commissioner (JC) of BWCC, on Tuesday said these properties together owe Rs 94.9 lakh to the BWCC, and they would be auctioned on March 6.

According to the GBA Act, 2025, all properties falling under the GBA must pay property tax every financial year, and if they do not comply, recovery procedures have to be initiated against the owners in line with the Property Tax Assessment, Collection and Management Rules 2024. The collected property taxes are used to provide necessary infrastructure and public services, Sangappa said.

Sangappa said several notices and reminders have been sent to the defaulters to pay the taxes, and because they have not responded, the BWCC had to list them for auction. The JC said the listed properties fall under BWCC's Zone-2 in Malleshwaram.

### Bescom issues 11 helpline numbers for power outage complaints

Bescom on Tuesday released a list of 11 WhatsApp helpline numbers for consumers to lodge complaints regarding power outages and other issues. The new numbers have been issued as the existing 24x7 helpline number, 1912, is at times unavailable due to the high volume of incoming calls.

The 11 WhatsApp helpline numbers cover all eight districts under Bescom's jurisdiction, with four numbers dedicated exclusively to the Bengaluru Urban district.

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| **B'LURU URBAN DIST** | East Circle 8277884013 | Chikkaballapura 8277884016 | Tumakuru 8277884019 |
| South Circle 8277884011 | North Circle 8277884014 | Bengaluru Rural 8277884017 | Chitradurga 8277884020 |
| West Circle 8277884012 | **OTHER DISTS** Kolar: 8277884015 | Ramanagara 8277884018 | Davanagere 8277884021 |

## Horoscopes By Holiday

**HOLIDAY MATHIS**

**04th March : Island Trine The earthy lunar trine to Uranus, the planet of surprises, is a specific kind of omen. From the abundant water-sign energy, an island rises, inviting us sailors on life's endless sea to take a rest from the rocking waves to do the kind of work that can only be accomplished on land. It's the work of repair that can't be adjusted mid-voyage. We'll return to the water better equipped for the voyage ahead.**

**ARIES** (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You can't accurately map your options from inside your head. Your sense of what's possible can be distorted by incomplete information or assumptions based in fear. Say what you want. Give the world a chance to show you what's feasible.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 - May 20)
We live in a rapidly changing world. To keep up, we have to update. Staying engaged means staying flexible. You're willing to revisit ideas and adjust your thinking when new information or contexts ask for it.

**GEMINI** (May 21 - June 21)
Finally, you're in a group of diverse strengths. It feels good to show up, do your part and trust that others will handle their share. Things move forward as a wheel does, not as a pogo stick does.

**CANCER** (June 22 - July 22)
Could everything be happening for the highest good? You're not always sure what to believe. You'll be moved today to ask fewer questions as you get down to the work. Sometimes it's OK to accept what is before you completely understand it.

**LEO** (July 23 - Aug. 22)
Would you rather have teasing or fawning? A challenge or a massage? Truth or flattery? There are no universally wrong answers, only answers that bring you closer or further away from a goal.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
You'll be reminded how important daily rituals really are to your well-being. Emotional balance depends at least partly on what we automatically repeat. A new influence will inspire you to elevate your habits.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Something as grand as a career doesn't happen overnight. It's a culmination of thousands of small steps, tasks, moves, commitments, decisions -- and, wow, are you making them with style and speed today.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
Your inner critic has been speaking too loudly and too often. If only you could be the network executive who cancels its show or at least interrupts it for more relevant programming. You deserve your own support. More cheerleading, less analyzing.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You are bright, free and possessing of an endless curiosity that keeps leading you from interest to interest, and only you can say what deserves a longer stay. You decide for yourself what's acceptable instead of adopting anyone else's rules.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Noticing talent is a talent in and of itself. You'll not only see what's special and strong in others, but you'll also have a sense of who should work together and how it might fit. You'll bring people together.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Media can set up unrealistic expectations of love and relationships. This will be especially true of social media today, but you're savvy to the many ways people tell visual lies and will neither believe nor perpetuate the problem.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
There's something so beautiful about a relationship in which you can respectfully disagree without too much friction or a negative outcome. It signals great maturity for all involved as well as deep respect and the potential to learn from one another.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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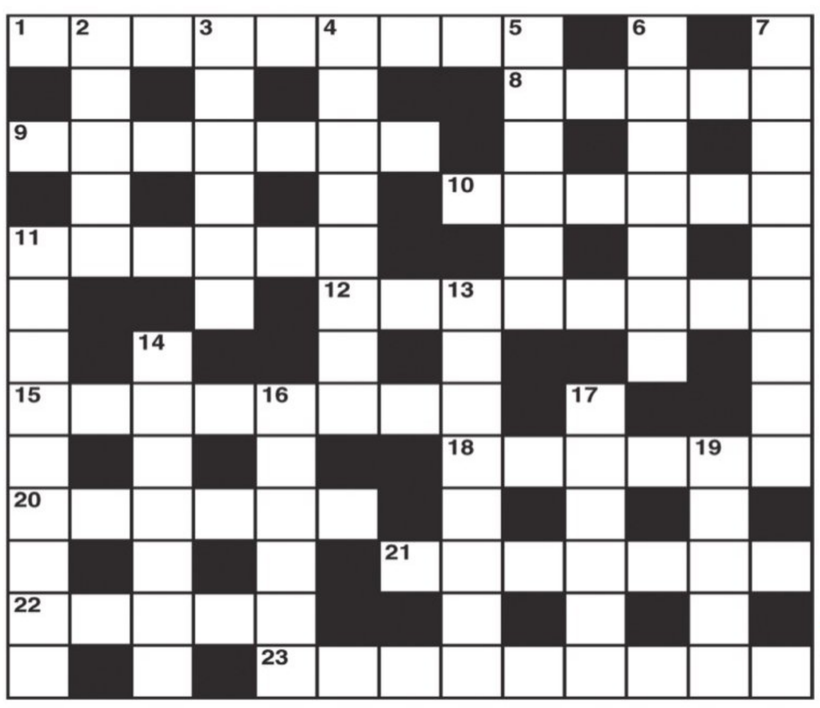

**CROSS WORD**

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8 Gun is out of order in practice (5)
9 Butler's narrow point of view? (7)
10 Accounts book with margin going from left to right (6)
11 Corrupt passage (6)
12 Sovereign is underweight considering (8)
15 The extent to which diets can vary (8)
18 It has a certain current value (6)
20 At some distance from Rodney (6)
21 Murder makes a monarch sick at heart (7)
22 That is as Julius Caesar wrote it (2,3)
23 Tradesman bursts into tears (9)

**DOWN**

2 Thread rope through some of the centre evenly (5)
3 Racial extraction of Elizabeth Nicholson (6)
4 Ammunition in the news (8)
5 It holds soup for two Egyptian leaders in turn (6)
6 He's bound to seek a religious goal (7)
7 A concrete addition to the total (9)
11 Lady dines out showing gluttony perhaps? (6,3)
13 Visionary details I put out (8)
14 Apart and sure to play around (7)
16 They don't mind their own business (6)
17 Olympian master of arts (6)
19 The scope of a mountain chain (5)

**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS**

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**JUMBLE**

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BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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I'd love to, but my deadline has me scrambling. I need to have this turned in tomorrow.
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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Yesterday's Jumbles: AFOOT LINER SIDING BIGGER
Answer: The oldest weightlifter at the gym was 80 years old and still — GOING STRONG

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National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) launched ManoSandesh, a video series on YouTube in Kannada on mental health issues on Tuesday. The series delivers practical, scientifically grounded information on topics like eating disorders, depression, anxiety, ADHD, and autism with evidence-based guidance from psychiatrists and psychologists

# State must look into healthcare gaps, staff crunch

GAYATHRI M KURUP @ Bengaluru

AS Karnataka looks towards its 2026-27 Budget, public health experts say the State must move beyond incremental announcements and address gaps in its healthcare system, from underfunding and workforce shortages to over-reliance on private players.

Experts point to a long-standing demand for increase in public health spending. "The National Health Policy suggested that states must commit at least 8% of their total budgetary expenditure to health. It is around 4% now," said Prasanna Saligram, public health researcher with Sarvatrika Arogya Andolana Karnataka (SAAK).

He added that beyond routine allocations, the government must look at a universal health system and consider enacting a Right to Health Act. "If we claim to be a top-ranking state economically, we should move towards guaranteeing health as a right," he said.

On the ground, practitioners say chronic disinvestment has weakened the public system. "The public healthcare system is suffering from decades of underinvestment," said Dr Akshay S Dinesh, public health doctor and co-founder of Action for Equity. "Free care exists largely on paper. Patients are often asked to purchase medicines, surgical materials, or drugs for chronic diseases from outside." He says the government must go back to the basics -- fill vacancies, ensure free medicines, and restore dignity in public hospitals.

Workforce shortage remains a critical concern, particularly in rural areas. Dr Swathi SB, public health practitioner and member of SAAK, points to high vacancy rates among frontline workers. "Vacancies in primary healthcare posts are severely affecting access, especially in rural and remote areas," she said, adding that shortage of Auxiliary Nurse Midwife (ANM), medical officers in PHCs and community health officers at Health and Wellness Centres force patients to travel long distances for care. She also flagged delays in implementing the promised increased honorarium for ASHA workers.

Instead, the government attempting to increase the population covered by each worker will negatively impact community health. Experts also emphasised the need to reduce out-of-pocket expenditure, much of which goes toward medicines. "Uninterrupted free medicine supply can reduce financial burden on families," Swathi added.

The budget must take a broader view of health, say some experts. Upendra Bhojani, Senior Fellow and Head, Centre for Commercial Determinants of Health, Institute of Public Health Bengaluru, said fiscal policy should also discourage health-harming commodities. "If we reduce consumption of tobacco, alcohol and other harmful products, we will reduce healthcare spend," he said, urging the state to consider taxation and regulatory measures.

City Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh inspects various drugs and LSD strips seized in recent operations at Police Commissioner's Office on Tuesday | EXPRESS

**HYDROPONIC GANJA WORTH OVER ₹65L SEIZED AT KIA IN 2 DAYS**

Bengaluru: Customs officers at Terminal 2 (T2) of Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) in Bengaluru intercepted consignments of hydroponic ganja worth Rs 65L on Monday and Tuesday. On Monday, officials seized 950 gm of hydroponic ganja, valued at Rs 33.25 lakh, from a passenger. On Tuesday, they recovered another 920 gm of the contraband, estimated to be worth Rs 32.20 lakh. In both cases, the narcotics were concealed in check-in baggage. The accused passengers had arrived from Bangkok and were arrested under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985. ENS

# 2 held for stealing gold and cash worth ₹1.4 cr

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THE Madanayakanahalli police arrested two accused who were absconding for nearly six months in a house theft case. The police have now apprehended three accused in total.

They recovered 711 grams of gold ornaments and Rs 19.5 lakh in cash, with a total value of Rs 1.40 crore, in connection with 15 cases. The accused are Siddu alias Nagaraj (32), from Malavalli, and Muniraju (49), from Sarakki, JP Nagar.

The police said that the duo were arrested for a house theft case, registered on August 8, 2025. The two, along with another accused who was arrested on January 11, allegedly broke into a house in Prakruthi Layout when the family members had gone to Tamil Nadu and looted 248 grams of gold. After analysing CCTV footage, the police identified an unidentified person moving around on a motorcycle. This led to the arrest of Swami, who later revealed the involvement of the other two accused. During interrogation, it was revealed that Siddu used to pledge the stolen gold ornaments at finance companies to obtain cash. The police have detected 13 house burglary cases in the Madanayakanahalli police station limits and two cases in the Nelamangala Town police limits.

The police added that Siddu is a habitual offender who has been involved in house burglaries for the past 15 years. He was first listed in police records in 2011 in connection with an attempted robbery case. As many as 31 cases have been registered against him. After being released from jail in 2021, Siddu reportedly remained off the police radar for four years. In 2025, he teamed up with Muniraju and resumed targeting houses in the Madanayakanahalli area.

# 2 college dropouts held with ₹10cr drugs

**HYDRO GANJA IN SWEET BOX**

In another operation, the CCB sleuths have seized 1.5 kg of hydro ganja worth Rs 1.5 crore concealed in chocolate and biscuit boxes and smuggled via international parcel services. The police said that a case has been registered at KG Nagar police station under the NDPS Act.

**TWO FOREIGNERS DETAINED**

The sleuths of CCB have detained two women who have been residing in Mico Layout police limits after the expiry of their visa. They have been handed over to the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO), which sent them to the Foreigners Detention Centre.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE anti-narcotics wing of the Central Crime Branch (CCB) arrested two drug users-turned peddlers and seized narcotic substances worth Rs 10 crore from their apartment in Bagalur police limits in the city.

The accused are Ashwin, 27, and Mubeena, 25. They hailed from Kerala and lived in 'Prestige Pansberry Heights Apartments'. The accused were classmates and dropped out of their BBA course. The accused were involved in an organised drug distribution network. They allegedly received narcotic substances from Vincent, who hails from Kerala and lives in Thailand. According to police, they used to distribute drugs to customers as per Vincent's instructions.

City Police Commissioner Seemant Kumar Singh told reporters that while monitoring social media, the police received information about drug peddling and acting on a tip-off, the sleuths raided the apartment and seized 8,335 LSD strips (124g), 5 kg of hydro ganja, and 534g of charas valued around Rs 10 crore.

The area where drugs have been seized in Bagalur has many educational institutions. Investigations are on to ascertain whether drugs were being supplied to college students there. Action will be taken against the recipients after their identification, he said. He said the police have seized the highest number of LSD strips so far in a single operation. Each strip was sold for Rs 3,000.

# Vishrut saved his dad, granny

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VISHRUT was in one of the two rooms on the third floor, when he noticed a burning smell and stepped out of his room to check. He saw that the room opposite was on fire. He rushed downstairs and escorted his father and grandmother out of the house. Savitha was on the third floor, and by the time she tried to come downstairs, the fire had intensified.

The police added that by the time fire and emergency personnel reached the spot and rescued her, she was unconscious and her face had turned blue. She was immediately rushed to a hospital, where doctors declared her brought dead due to suspected asphyxiation. The Subramanyanagar police have registered a case of unnatural death. ENS

EXPRESS READ

**City Civil Court receives hoax bomb threat**

BENGALURU: The City Civil and Sessions Court on Tuesday received a bomb threat to its official email ID. Police later declared a hoax after conducting extensive searches of the court premises. According to the jurisdictional Halasuru Gate police, the bomb threat email was sent in the morning but came to the notice of the authorities later. No explosives were found by the Bomb Detection and Disposal Squad and the canine squad. The email threatened to blow up the court and was written in Tamil. ENS


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# DIABESITY

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## Obesity and Hunger

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The relationship between obesity and hunger is more complex than it appears. While obesity is often associated with overeating, many individuals with obesity experience disrupted hunger and fullness signals driven by hormonal and metabolic imbalances. These imbalances can cause a cycle where people feel hungry more often, crave highcalorie foods, and struggle to regulate their appetite.

One of the key hormones involved is ghrelin, known as the "hunger hormone." In people with obesity, ghrelin levels may remain high even after eating, leading to persistent feelings of hunger. At the same time, leptin, the hormone responsible for signaling fullness, becomes less effective because of a condition called leptin resistance. When the brain does not properly respond to leptin's signals, it fails to recognize that the body has enough stored energy, encouraging additional food intake.

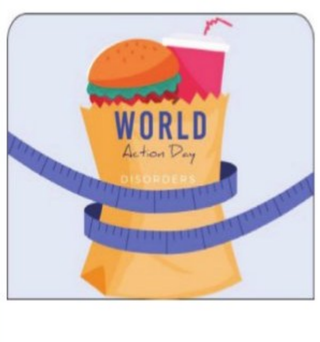
Stress, poor sleep, and highly processed foods further influence hunger regulation. Sleep deprivation, for example, can raise ghrelin levels and increase cravings for sugary and fatty foods. Processed foods high in sugar and refined carbohydrates cause rapid spikes and crashes in blood sugar, triggering hunger shortly after eating.

Addressing obesity and hunger requires improving dietary habits, prioritizing good sleep, choosing whole foods, and practicing mindful eating. These steps help rebalance hunger hormones and support longterm weight management.

## Obesity and Depression

Obesity and depression share a complex, bidirectional relationship, with each condition increasing the risk of the other. While obesity is often viewed through a physical health lens, its impact on mental wellbeing is equally significant. Many individuals with obesity experience emotional challenges driven by social stigma, low selfesteem, and body image concerns, all of which can contribute to depressive symptoms.

Biological factors also link the two conditions. Excess body fat promotes chronic inflammation, which can affect brain chemistry and reduce levels of neurotransmitters like serotonin and dopamine—chemicals essential for regulating mood. Hormonal imbalances associated with obesity, including elevated cortisol due to chronic stress, further increase vulnerability to depression.



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On the other hand, depression can lead to lifestyle behaviours that promote weight gain. Low motivation, emotional eating, reduced physical activity, and disrupted sleep patterns can contribute to increased calorie intake and decreased energy expenditure. Certain antidepressant medications may also cause weight gain, adding to the cycle.

Breaking this connection requires a holistic approach. Regular physical activity, balanced nutrition, stress management, and quality sleep support both mental health and weight control. Psychological therapies such as cognitive-behavioural therapy (CBT) can improve mood and reduce emotional eating. Addressing both conditions together leads to better longterm outcomes and overall, wellbeing.

## Obesity: A Chronic Disease That Deserves Medical Care, Not Blame

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Obesity is no longer just a cosmetic concern — it is a chronic, progressive medical condition driving the surge in diabetes, hypertension, heart disease, kidney failure and fatty liver disease. Medical research shows that obesity is linked to more than 280 health conditions, including certain cancers.Many individuals attempt weight loss through calorie restriction and exercise. Lifestyle modification remains the foundation of treatment and should always be encouraged. However, what is less understood is that most people struggle to sustain weight loss long term. When weight regain occurs despite sincere efforts, it often leads to frustration and self-blame.The truth is that obesity is not simply a failure of willpower. It involves complex neurohormonal and metabolic adaptations. When a person loses weight, the body activates biological mechanisms that increase hunger, slow metabolism and promote fat storage — making regain highly likely. Fortunately, medical science has advanced. Modern therapies, particularly GLP-1–based medications, target the underlying metabolic pathways that drive weight gain. By addressing these root mechanisms, they enable sustained weight reduction while also improving blood sugar, blood pressure and overall cardiovascular and kidney health.Like all medications, they may cause mild gastrointestinal side effects in the initial weeks, but with careful dose adjustment and medical supervision, most patients tolerate them well and continue long term.Obesity requires structured, physician-guided care. With scientific treatment and sustained support, long-term health improvement is not only possible — it is achievable.

## Obesity: A Growing Health Concern That Needs Immediate Attention

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**Overview**

Obesity is a chronic and complex disease marked by excessive accumulation of body fat, significantly increasing the risk of serious health problems. It has become a major public health challenge affecting people of all age groups.

**Why does obesity occur?**

Obesity develops when calorie intake consistently exceeds calorie expenditure. Contributing factors include unhealthy diet, lack of physical activity, poor sleep, chronic stress, certain medications such as steroids and antidepressants, and environmental influences.

**How Obesity Is Identified?**

Doctors commonly use Body Mass Index (BMI) to diagnose obesity. A BMI of 30 or above indicates obesity. Waist circumference is also measured to assess dangerous abdominal fat, and in some cases body fat percentage is evaluated.

**Levels of Obesity**

**Obesity is classified into**

a) Class I (BMI 30–34.9)
b) Class II (35–39.9)
c) Class III or severe obesity (40 and above).

**Common Symptoms:** Breathlessness, back pain, sleep apnea, persistent fatigue, and reduced physical stamina are frequently seen in people with obesity.

**Health Risks:** Obesity is linked to more than 20 diseases, including type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, fatty liver disease, heart disease, sleep disorders, and certain cancers.

**Management:** reatment focuses primarily on lifestyle modification such as a healthy diet, regular physical activity, improved sleep habits, and stress control. Medications like Orlistat may be prescribed to treatment of obesity where it helps the body in blocking the absorption of fats from the small intestines and stomach. This way, it can help reduce calorie intake and weight loss over time, and bariatric surgery is considered for severe cases.

**Prevention:** Simple steps like balanced nutrition, limiting processed foods, exercising at least 150 minutes per week, maintaining proper sleep, and managing stress can significantly reduce the risk of obesity.

## Obesity is no longer just about weight gain

Obesity is no longer just about weight gain — it is a chronic metabolic disorder. In metropolitan cities, long working hours, sedentary desk jobs, increased screen time, stress, irregular sleep patterns, and easy access to processed, high-calorie foods have significantly reduced daily physical activity.

Convenience has replaced movement, and packaged food has replaced balanced meals. Over time, this lifestyle imbalance leads to excess fat accumulation and metabolic dysfunction. Obesity itself alters hormones, increases systemic inflammation, and affects insulin sensitivity, making it a disease rather than merely a cosmetic concern.

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It must be tackled with structured lifestyle modification — mindful eating, regular physical activity, strength training, adequate sleep, and stress management. If left unaddressed, obesity becomes the gateway to other metabolic disorders such as type 2 diabetes, hypertension, fatty liver disease, and cardiovascular complications. Early intervention is prevention.

## Rising Obesity: A Growing Family Health Concern

Over the past two decades, obesity has steadily increased across all age groups—from young professionals and homemakers to school-aged children. Excess weight is not only about appearance; it affects energy levels, stamina, and long-term health. Modern lifestyles play a major role: long sitting hours, screen time, irregular meals, frequent food delivery, poor sleep, and unnoticed calorie intake through sugary tea, snacks, beverages, and large portions.

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Abdominal fat is particularly harmful for Indians. It disrupts metabolic functions and raises the risk of diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, joint pain, sleep disturbances, and hormonal imbalance. In children, obesity affects confidence, physical activity, and increases early diabetes risk, often impacting multiple family members.

The good news: obesity is preventable and manageable through realistic, consistent habits. Simple dietary steps—more vegetables, adequate protein, fewer fried foods, sweets, and sugary drinks—make a big difference. Early dinners, hydration, and mindful portions help too.

Movement is essential: a daily 30-minute walk, stretching during work hours, choosing stairs, and family activities promote lasting health. Adequate sleep and stress control support better appetite regulation.

For those with medical conditions, professional guidance and personalized plans are important. Obesity is not a willpower problem-it's shaped by lifestyle and biology. Small daily choices create long-term health.

Issued in public interest to raise awareness on Diabesity by NATCO PHARMA. Reader's are advised to seek to necessary medical advice from a qualified medical practitioner.

The Karnataka State Contractors' Association has threatened to hold a massive protest at Freedom Park on March 6 against the delay in the payment of Rs 37,000 crore by the state government for works carried out before 2023

With an expected capacity of 2,000 MW, SPSP has a vital role to play in Karnataka's quest to achieve energy independence. Yet failure to secure MoEF approval has scuppered the scheme so far • Upgrading of NH 169 into four lanes is bedevilled by disputes over land compensation, forest clearance

# SHARAVATHI PROJECT DOGGED BY ECO CONCERNS

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TWENTY year after its conception, Sharavathi Pumped Storage Project (SPSP), aimed to make Karnataka energy independent, is nowhere near the finish line. The project is facing stiff opposition from environmentalists since the proposed site is in the Sharavathi wildlife Sanctuary.

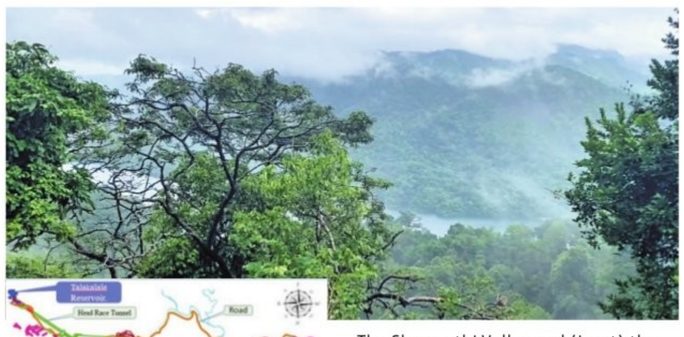
The Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) is yet to give its crucial clearance for the project. The National Board of Wildlife (NBWL) had given its in principle nod in June 2025. A final clearance is awaited.

Karnataka Power Corporation Limited (KPCL) which is handling the project could get the clearance from the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) only on September 9, 2024, after scrutiny of the Detailed Project Report (DPR) by 13 various directorates of departments of the Centre. All this exposes the systemic paralysis.

While conceiving the SPSP project in 2006, the KPCL was aiming for 800 MW. In 2009, it recalibrated that goal to 900 MW. In 2017, the state government again pushed the goalpost—enhancing the power generation capacity to 2,000 MW.

In the state budget for 2024-25, the government said that it would enhance overall power generation from existing 32,000 MW to 60,000 MW. And the SPSP is crucial to achieve this goal.

The capacity of existing hydel power stations is limited--Linganamakki Power Generation (55MW), Mahatma Gandhi Power Generation Unit (139.2 MW), Sharavathi Power Generation Unit (1,035 MW) and Gerusoppa Power Generation Unit (240 MW) only adds up to 1,469 MW. This is what makes Sharavathi




The Sharavathi Valley and (inset) the planned layout of the project | EXPRESS

Pumped Storage Project vital for the state's needs.

Pumped Storage Projects can be suitable in ghat area and requires two reservoirs—one at the lower and another at upper level. Through the canal these two reservoirs will be connected for the flow of water through reversible pump turbines. Water will be reused and requires a minimum quantity of water to generate power.

The SPSP can use the Talakalale dam as upper reservoir and the Gerusoppa dam as lower reservoir to generate clean energy to meet the growing power needs of the state.

Nearly 16,041 are going to be axed as part of the implementation of the SPSP, including Sagar division (745), Shivamogga Wildlife Division (1,518) and Honnavar division (13,756).

Projects of the scale of the SPSP, inevitably, attract opposition. Various organisations Sharavathi Kanive Ulilsit Horata Samiti of Honnavara and Sagar; Parisarakkagi Navu, Bengaluru, Paryavarana Trust and many local organisations have been mobilising people to oppose this project. Opposition also comes from Shivamogga and Uttara Kannada including seers of various mutts, wildlife conservationists and environmentalists. These organisations have staged protests in Bengaluru, Shivamogga, Honnavara, Sagar, North Canara district headquarters. Recently, there was a meeting of KPCL authorities with the environmentalists and other representatives, including former Deputy Chief Minister KS Eshwarappa, held in Shivamogga.

"We are not against the pumped storage project as a technology. We oppose because it is being established in the Sharavathi wildlife Sanctuary. This wildlife sanctuary is declared in 1972 Lion-tailed Macaque(LTM) Wildlife Conservation Area", said Prof BM Kumaraswamy, an environmentalist. As per The Wildlife Conservation Act 1972, no project is to be established in wildlife sanctuary area that would disturb the wildlife. Even to move around in this area for the people, they have to take prior permission from the Forest department. If they do so, they would be put behind bars. Was the Karnataka government and the forest department not aware of this stringent act, asks Kumaraswamy.

DIVYA CUTINHO @ Mangaluru

LAND acquisition invariably delays infrastructural projects. The widening of NH 169, connecting Mangaluru with Solapur, is no exception.

More than five years ago, the widening of the 45-km between Mangaluru and Karkala began, yet the Rs 1,137 crore project is far from completion.

With a feasibility study initiated in 2014, the proposal to make the NH 169 stretch of 45 kilometers from Bikarnakatte to Sanoor via Moodbidri into four lanes did not roll on till 2017. In 2018, the NHAI finalised the proposal to acquire 180 acres required for the upgrading. The task was initially given to NHAI's Chitradurga division and later a separate project implementation unit (PIU) was set up.

The project aims to improve regional connectivity and reduce congestion between Mangaluru, Moodbidri and Karkala where there are several educational institutions and tourist spots. The two bypasses at Gurupura and Moodbidri are also expected to reduce traffic congestion. In addition, the upgrading of the highway will be a boost to logistics and foster economic growth and better access to pilgrimage centres at Dharmasthala and Sringeri.

According to NHAI sources compensation disputes over land acquisition are the major hurdles in completing the project. The work is stuck at Padavu village for about 2.5km, near Polali and Alangar, and at Kanthavara in Karkala an 830-meter stretch is pending due to lack of forest clearance. The stretch between Vamanjoor to Bikarnakatte too is stuck due to land acquisition woes.

Mariyamma Thomas, president of NH 169 Bhoo Maalikara Horata Samithi, an action committee of landowners whose properties are being acquired for the road-widening project, said NHAI has to pay Rs 286 crore in compensation to the affected landowners. "Special Land Acquisition officer (SLAO) had fixed the compensation in 2020 but the NHAI Project Officer went on an arbitration before the Deputy Commissioner who upheld the SLAO's order but the NHAI officer filed an appeal against it which is still pending before the district sessions court for last two years. As per the CVC guideline of 2016, the land owners have to be paid Rs 3.50 lakh per cent and the same guideline value per cent has increased to Rs 10,11,700 in 2020 at Padavu village. We are not even demanding the current market value for our land which is Rs 13,35,444 but the NHAI must pay us the compensation as per the 2020 CVC guideline value," she said.

Now, work on the stretch between Vamanjoor to Baiturli is moving at a fast pace aiming for completion before this monsoon. Retaining wall on the road adjacent to Bhatra Kallurti daivasthana has been completed while a separate road is being laid by deep hill cutting near the Kudupu Katte. "There will be improvements to sharp curves near Kudupu Katte and we are constructing a straighter highway," said an NHAI official.

Meanwhile, locals have demanded completion of the work before monsoon to prevent major mishaps. "The unscientific hill cutting between Mangalanagara to Baiturli may cause landslides during monsoon near Kudupu. The shopkeepers and the commuters are at risk," a local resident said.

Apart from two bypasses at Gurupura and Moodbidri, the project includes eight vehicular underpasses, four vehicular overpasses, six minor bridges and a major bridge across Gurupura river.

Abdulla Javed Azmi, Director, NHAI Mangaluru Project, said that ongoing work between Vamanjoor to Baiturli will be completed before monsoon and land issues except for the Baiturli to Bikarnakatte stretch, near Rosa Mystica Convent and at Alangar have been resolved.

"The 2.5km stretch at Paduva village has been descoped over contractor's failure or delay following land acquisition issues to maintain project timeline. Out of the 45km stretch, we have completed Dense Bituminous Macadam (DBM) work for 32.65 kilometers. Moodbidri Bypass road work connecting the state highway is in progress. Also, from Vamanjoor junction to Kudupu temple stretch work is also underway. The realignment work at Yedapadavu is delayed due to some minor land issues. Our target is to complete the ongoing works by June," he said.

The ongoing road-widening work between Vamanjoor Junction and Baiturli near Mangaluru | EXPRESS

## NH 169 widening: Land acquisition, forest clearance major hurdles

**The unscientific hill cutting between Mangalanagara to Baiturli may cause landslides during monsoon near Kudupu. The shopkeepers and the commuters are at risk**

— Resident

# DKS CALLS MEETING OF CONG MLAs, MLCs AMID CABINET ROW

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

IN a fresh escalation of power tussle in Congress, Deputy Chief Minister and KPCC president DK Shivakumar has called a meeting of all party MLAs and MLCs at his residence on March 10, even as the debate over cabinet expansion intensifies. The move comes days after Shivakumar publicly backed 38 first-time legislators seeking ministerial berths that sharply contrasted with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's stance of not inducting newcomers into the ministry.

The latest trigger is a joint letter reportedly signed by 31-38 first-time MLAs and sent to AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge, senior leader Rahul Gandhi, Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar. The MLAs have sought at least five berths, contending that the 2023 mandate -- which brought 38 new Congress faces into the House -- reflected a call for youth representation and renewal.

Political observers said Shivakumar's outreach may be driven as much by internal arithmetic as by ideology. All 135 Congress MLAs have voting rights at the Congress Legislature Party (CLP) and 38 first-time MLAs could be crucial in any future leadership contest. Sources said the letter's signatories include legislators from both camps.

Also, over 20 out of 37 Congress MLCs are reportedly seeking five cabinet slots. Though they do not vote in CLP leadership elections, they hold influence in legislative strategy and party matters. Consolidating their support could strengthen Shivakumar's organisational base, analysts believe.

A political analyst observed, "There were murmurs that Shivakumar was not easily accessible and was not taking everyone into confidence. This outreach appears to be aimed at building bridges with a broader section of MLAs and MLCs, but it should have happened a year ago."

### Andhra blocking Karnataka's efforts to increase height of Almatti Dam, says Shivakumar

Bengaluru: DCM DK Shivakumar on Tuesday said the Andhra Pradesh government is blocking Karnataka's efforts to increase the height of Almatti Dam from 519 metres to 524 metres. The neighbouring state has written to the Centre not to permit increasing height of the dam, he said. Speaking to media persons, the DyCM said he would write to the Centre seeking its intervention and to act according to the previous order. Shivakumar said he had not expected that the Andhra Pradesh government would go to such an extent. The DyCM asked MPs from the state to meet the prime minister and Jal Shakti minister to put pressure on them to protect the state's interests. "Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu is an experienced politician. I don't know why they are doing this. He is not coming to talks, even on the Tungabhadra issue. We are losing 30 tmcft of Tungabhadra river water. We are trying to come up with an alternative system, but that too is not possible," he said. The DyCM said land acquisition will cost Rs 70,000 crore, and they have decided to complete the project in three phases by allocating Rs 20,000 crore every year. This is being obstructed, and the Centre has sent a letter this month seeking the state's response, he said, adding that they are examining it. ENS

# I'm not type to revolt for CM's post, says DCM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

DEPUTY Chief Minister DK Shivakumar on Tuesday clarified that he will neither fight within the party nor betray it with a revolt to become the CM. "I am a street fighter, I know how to fight. My fight is not for power, and not within the party, my fight is outside the party. If my opponents think I am silent, it is their business," he told reporters. "Why should I revolt? I have faith in myself and I live in hope. Whatever comes to me will come when it has to."

On the CM's statement that his relationship with Shivakumar is like milk-and-honey, he said, "I have not spoken about the CM's issue so far. It is between me, the CM and party high command. I have not made any statement except saying I was involved when some decisions were taken. I have never said the CM's post will become vacant or that a Dalit or someone else should get the post. It is others who are making the CM's post vacant," he stated, taking a swipe at his detractors. He asserted that as KPCC president, he has the responsibility to ensure discipline and not damage the party image. "I should not do injustice to my position. Others should not point fingers at me, saying I have done something wrong. This is a party we have built and nurtured. I will not trouble the party for selfish reasons," the DCM said.

On AICC President Mallikarjuna Kharge, LoP in LS Rahul Gandhi and AICC general secretary KC Venugopal discussing the leadership issue in Delhi, he said, "I don't know about this. I have not spoken to them."

JDS supremo HD Deve Gowda during the Tulabhara Seva at the Kukke Subramanya Temple in Dakshina Kannada district on Monday| EXPRESS

### *JDS PACT WITH NDA WILL CONTINUE, SAYS DEVE GOWDA*

Mangaluru: JDS supremo and former PM H D Deve Gowda stressed that his party's alliance with the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) at the Centre will continue. During a visit to Kukke Subramanya Temple on Monday, he said, "The Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led NDA government has come up with several pro-people schemes. Our JDS party stands with the NDA and our alliance will continue in the future also. The youth today must be aware of government programmes launched in the interest of the nation's progress. The earlier JDS government had also come up with several pro-people schemes." ENS

# CM: Our relationship like honey, milk, not tapping DKS' phone

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@Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Tuesday rubbished the allegations by BJP-JDS leaders of tapping the phones of Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and his followers. The CM said that Leader of Opposition R Ashoka and Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy have been attempting to create misunderstandings between him and the DyCM, but they would not succeed in this endeavor.

Terming the BJP-JDS leaders' allegations as desperate statements, the CM stated his relationship with Shivakumar is like milk and honey. He reiterated that the Congress will complete its full tenure and Karnataka will continue to have a chief minister from the Congress.

"None of our MLAs are supporters of either me or DK Shivakumar individually - they are supporters of the Congress. Within the framework of the party discipline, they are free to express personal opinions and maintain cordial relationships. However, regardless of what any MLA may say, ultimately all of us, including me and Shivakumar, abide by the directions of our party high command. We have said this not once, but a hundred times. This is the ultimate truth," he said.

# Experts say it will be a revenue-deficit budget for 2nd consecutive year

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ALL these are likely to impact the size of the budget for 2026-27, which may be enhanced by 5-6 per cent to Rs 4.30 lakh crore from Rs 4.09 lakh crore for 2025-26. Experts say it will be a revenue-deficit budget for the second consecutive year. Capital expenditure is likely to be Rs 80,000 crore to boost infrastructure development, according to a source.

Sensing an impending drought situation, with temperatures likely to rise 2-2.5 degrees Celsius in the next decade in Central and North Karnataka, the CM is likely to announce funds for implementing a 'green wall' from Belagavi to Bidar, to check desertification. It has sought Rs 15 crore for the feasibility study.

Amid the power-sharing tussle with DCM DK Shivakumar, CM Siddaramaiah will be under a lot of stress to placate Congress MLAs. The other challenges include pruning the five guarantees to continue with flagship programmes which require an allocation of over Rs 8,000 crore annually, the contractors' demand to release Rs 37,000crore in dues and allocation of SC/ST TSP grants to SC/STs, in proportion to their population. The government announced recruitment to 56,000 vacancies, which will be an additional financial burden. It is likely to adapt recommendations of the Karnataka Regional Imbalances Redressal Committee led by economist Prof M Govinda Rao, seeking Rs 43,914 crore for the 2026-2031 period.

Mining is one sector which would have brought in revenue, but lack of coordination between forests and the mines and geology departments hinders operations even if e-auctioning has been done, an expert observed. "We are losing Rs 12,000 crore revenue due to GST rate rationalisation, which was implemented mid-term, when all states had come out with their spend plan. Karnataka, despite being the second-highest GST collector, is a big loser. However, we will work out a strategy to improve our revenues with taxes, and the size of the budget will be around Rs 4.4 lakh crore, a regular 10 per cent hike," stated CM's economic adviser Basavaraj Rayaraddi, adding that revenue shortfall by the end of the financial year would be around Rs 18,000 crore against the budget estimate for 2025-26.

**MAJOR RECEIPTS COLLECTION**

**Own Tax Revenue:** ₹1,55,405.57cr (74.68% of BE, ₹2,08,100cr)

**Commercial Taxes:** ₹90,220.89 (75.18%, ₹1,20,000cr)

**State Excise:** ₹33,370.54 cr (83.43%, ₹40,000cr)

**Motor Vehicles:** ₹10,594.34cr (70.63, Rs 15,000cr)

**Stamps and Registration:** ₹20,227.18cr (72.24% ,₹28,000cr)

**Own Non-Tax Revenue:** ₹14,888.43cr (90.23%, ₹16,500cr)

**Devolution from GOI:** ₹41,567.36cr (80.13% ,₹51,876.54cr)

**GIA & Contributions:** ₹8787.68cr (54.92%, ₹16,000cr)

**Revenue Expenditure:** ₹3,11,738.73cr (BE) spent - ₹2,16,584.35 (69.48%)

Following recommendations of the 16th Finance Commission, adopted in Union Budget 2026-27, Karnataka is set to receive **₹63,050crore** in tax devolution, an increase from **3.65** per cent (15th FC) to **4.13** per cent, a gain of **₹7,387crore**

The Bandipur Tiger Reserve officials issue an alert against fake websites offering fraudulent online safari bookings and misleading tourists by offering tickets at attractive rates. Many unsuspecting visitors have already fallen prey to such platforms. Safari tickets must be booked only through the official website of BTR and no third-party links or unfamiliar portals for payments or bookings should be used, warned officials

# Child care leave cannot be only for exams: HC

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THE Karnataka High Court said that Child Care Leave (CCL) is not limited only to the exact days of a child's examination. The court rejected the Centre's argument that such leave can be granted only for the specific examination dates.

A division bench of Justice SG Pandit and Justice KV Aravind passed the order recently, dismissing the petition filed by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (IT), the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (CDAC) and others, questioning the order dated February 5, 2026, passed by the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), Bengaluru Bench.

Kavita Vadde, administrative officer of CDAC, requested CCL from December 16, 2025, to May 20, 2026. The CDAC granted leave only for the period from February 16, 2026, to March 7, 2026. Therefore, she approached the CAT seeking directions to grant leave as per her request, which was made on the grounds that her son was appearing for the 10th board examinations.

By the order in question, the CAT modified the order dated November 24, 2025 and directed the CDAC to grant a CCL as per her request.

Therefore, the Ministry of Electronics and IT moved the High Court, contending that the CCL was made to enable Kavita to support her son during the board examinations by granting leave from February 16, 2026, to March 7, 2026. It was also contended that the CAT committed an error in granting leave beyond the examination period, which would hamper the functioning of the department and would also defeat the very object of sanctioning such leave.

Countering it, advocate K Satish, appearing for Kavita, contended that examinations were conducted in two stages and that the period sought in the application for CCL encompasses the pre-board examinations.

**MOONING OVER**

Director of Jawarlal Nehru Planetarium Dr BR Guruprasad speaks on the lunar eclipse at the planetarium in Bengaluru on Tuesday | VINOD KUMAR T

**STALIN LAUDED**

# Siddu bats for forum for states to discuss issues

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah urged the Union government to provide an institutional platform, such as a revitalised Inter-State Council, for all states to deliberate and restore balance in the federal structure.

In a letter to Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin, Siddaramaiah expressed Karnataka's support for a renewed national conversation on Union-State relations. He lauded Stalin for initiating the exercise, which seeks constitutional correction.

Siddaramaiah said the states must have the authority and fiscal space to fulfil the responsibilities entrusted to them. Karnataka is ready to engage constructively with Tamil Nadu and other like-minded states in advancing an informed national conversation on balancing the Union-State relationship. The absence of such structured engagement has contributed to the perception that cooperative federalism has receded from lived practice, Siddaramaiah said.

# Bear kills goat herder, villagers slay animal

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR @ Kudligi (Hosapete)

A 45-year-old man tending to his goats was mauled to death by a bear at Halasagara village in Gudekote of Kudligi taluk on Monday afternoon. An enraged group of villagers tracked the animal down and beat it to death later.

The victim, G Obaiah (45), was grazing his goats on the outskirts of the village when the bear attacked him around 1 pm. He is survived by his wife and two daughters. Obaiah, sustained grievous injuries on his head, hands, legs and other parts of the body, died on the spot. Villagers came to know about the incident towards evening and alerted the Gudekote Range Forest Officer and local police.

Discoverng that the bear was still in the vicinity, they gathered at the spot. Armed with sticks and clubs, they attacked and killed the animal, the police said. Forest and police personnel conducted an inspection and shifted Obaiah's body for postmortem. A senior forest official said, "We have begun an inquiry into the circumstances leading to the attack. Strict action will be taken regarding the killing of the bear as per wildlife protection laws."

# Rising obesity triggers fertility concerns

GAYATHRI M KURUP @ Bengaluru

**WORLD OBESITY DAY**

RISING obesity among women and men of reproductive age is emerging as a significant driver of infertility, high-risk pregnancies and surgical deliveries in Karnataka, doctors warned on World Obesity Day.

Doctors noted that one in four women in the reproductive age group is either overweight or obese, with Body Mass Index (BMI) above 25 becoming common across socio-economic groups. "From adolescents to postmenopausal women, we are seeing this across all age groups," said Dr Sowmya Sangamesh, gynaecologist at Vasavi Hospitals. "Hormonal imbalance caused by excess weight leads to anovulatory cycles, meaning the egg is not released regularly. This directly affects fertility."

They also said that hospitals are witnessing a parallel increase in gestational diabetes, pregnancy-induced hypertension and Caesarean sections. "When maternal weight increases, the baby's weight increases too. Larger babies, prolonged labour and poor uterine contractions raise the likelihood of C-section," explained Dr Vidya V Bhat, medical director at Radhakrishna Multispeciality Hospital.

At the national level, obesity has nearly tripled over the past decade. "Around 25% of women in the reproductive age group are overweight or obese," said Dr Meghana Nyapathi, cluster head, Milann Fertility Hospital. "Nearly 50-60% of pregnant women with obesity require Caesarean delivery compared to less than 25% among women with normal BMI. We also see higher risks of miscarriage and postpartum haemorrhage."

Experts also flagged rising obesity among men, linking it to reduced sperm count, motility and lower testosterone levels, further affecting conception rates. Calling maternal obesity a "silent public health crisis," doctors urged maintaining a healthy lifestyle and weight.

## *TWO SLIT MAN'S THROAT FOR STEPPING ON THEIR FEET*

Bengaluru: A 35-year-old man was stabbed to death by two men following a quarrel at a hotel on Thimmaiah Road in the Basaveshwaranagar police station limits on Monday night. The deceased has been identified as Shashikumar (35). The accused, Manjunath and Bhagyaraj, are absconding. According to the police, Shashikumar had gone to Raghavendra Veg Dosa Corner for dinner around 11.45 pm. As the hotel was crowded, it is suspected that he accidentally stepped on the feet one of the accused, which led to an altercation. The quarrel escalated, and the accused stabbed Shashikumar in the neck with knives and a dagger. He sustained severe injuries and died on the spot. The duo fled the scene. The police have registered a murder case.

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**ICAR-NATIONAL BUREAU OF FISH GENETIC RESOURCES**

**ONLINE INTERVIEW**

An online interview is scheduled on 09.03.2026 from 10:00 hrs onwards for the selection of one (01) Field Assistant on a contractual basis at ICAR-National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, PAGR Centre, Kochi.

For more details visit
**https://www.nbfgr.res.in**

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**NOTIFICATION FACULTY RECRUITMENT**

Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for appointment as Associate Professor in the School Of Pedagogical Sciences and Assistant Professor in the various Schools of Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala. **Qualifications:** As per UGC Regulations 2018

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## ICDS

# Karnataka's Fight Against Malnutrition Finding success

### ANGANWADIS IN KARNATAKA ACHEVIES 99.57% MEASUREMENT EFFICIENCY

Karnataka has achieved 99.57% measurement efficiency under ICDS for 2025–26, ensuring near-universal growth monitoring of children aged 0–6 years. This marks a major step in strengthening grassroots accountability and child health tracking across the state.

- Over the past two years, key malnutrition indicators have shown significant decline:
- Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM): 0.23% (down from 2.64% in 2022-23)
- Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM): 2.47% (down from 5.29% in 2022-23)
- Severe Stunting: 14.27% (down from 19.66% in 2022-23)
- Severely Underweight: 2.3% (down from 4.61% in 2022-23)

The improvement is credited to timely supplementary nutrition, stronger monitoring at Anganwadi Centres, and early intervention for vulnerable children. Enhanced field supervision and streamlined food distribution have ensured consistent follow-up care.

Impact of Strengthened Delivery and Monitoring

Officials attribute the progress to a strengthened food delivery system and tighter field-level supervision over the last two years. Timely supply of supplementary nutrition, improved monitoring at Anganwadi Centres, and early intervention for at-risk children have played a crucial role in reducing severe malnutrition.

With high measurement coverage and consistent improvement in child nutrition indicators, Karnataka's ICDS implementation stands as a strong example of how focused governance and efficient service delivery can bring measurable change in public health outcomes.

Beneficiaries receiving food are verified through a facial recognition system and an Aadhaar authentication system as formulated by government of Karnataka with the support of government of India to ensure transparency.

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A total of 6,49,512 students out of 6,66,533 appeared for the PU II English language exam, registering 97.45% attendance on the third day. The numbers indicate a good attendance on the third day, too. All districts in the state recorded more than 91% attendance while Bengaluru North, South and Rural areas recorded more than 98%. Students will appear for Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Marathi, Urdu, Sanskrit and French language exams on March 4. March 17 is the last day of Exam-1 for II PU students

# W Asia crisis likely to sink state economy

## Transport, agri sectors may face immediate pressure if global oil prices climb, triggering a chain reaction

INDRA S @ Bengaluru

FROM petrol pumps to farm markets, the impact of rising tension in West Asia could spread across Karnataka's economy. State's transport and agriculture sectors may face immediate pressure if global oil prices climb, as any break in crude supply routes could push up diesel and petrol prices, triggering a chain reaction across not only in the state transport sector, but also hit exports and industries.

With respect to Karnataka, major sectors to be hit would be the transport industry and agriculture sector and is expected to bear the brunt due to its dependence on transport. Ramesh Chandra Lahoti, Advisor of Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC), said that nearly 80% of goods movement, including agricultural produce, depends on road transport. If diesel prices increase, it will directly add to overall costs.

"Even a marginal hike in diesel prices will raise freight charges and push up essential commodity prices," he said. Lahoti adds that agricultural exports of pulses and spices could also suffer. "Rice exports will be especially vulnerable and prolonged disruption could affect both farmers and exporters," he said.

Karnataka, a major rice-producing state, relies on Gulf transit hubs such as Dubai for shipments of rice, pulses and spices to West Asia, Europe and

beyond. Dubai serves as a key transit and storage hub for Indian goods headed to markets in the Middle East, Europe and parts of the Americas. Any delay in vessel movement or restrictions on port access could create bottlenecks, he says.

"Industrial operations may face delays due to uncertainties in the supply chain. If raw materials are not delivered on time and freight charges rise, production schedules will be hit," said industrial expert K Shiva Shanmugam, adding that the impact may not be immediate but could be visible over the next few weeks if tensions continue.

He added that any disruption to sea routes would increase shipping costs, directly impacting imports and exports. Higher petrol and diesel prices could in turn push up transportation costs, triggering a rise in prices of essential commodities such as vegetables, foodgrains and other goods. Tourism may weaken if travel is disrupted, while a spike in oil prices could pressure the rupee, increasing import costs.

Industrialists say any disruption in crude oil supplies would immediately push up petrol and diesel prices, setting off broader inflationary pressures.

"If fuel prices rise, all essential commodities will automatically become costlier. Everything is interlinked," said Balaji Rao, president of the Bengaluru Petroleum Dealers' Association. Transport costs, he noted, directly influence the prices of food, groceries and other daily-use items in Karnataka.

While experts describe a full-scale war as unlikely, they agree that if tensions escalate, the ripple effect across Karnataka's economy could be swift and far-reaching.

RECRUITMENT DELAY

# Ministers seek internal quota for SCs in 56K jobs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

FOOD and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa on Tuesday said the Madiga community (SC Left) is in shock over the government failing to implement internal reservation in recruitment for 56,000 vacancies in government departments. Addressing a joint press conference with Excise Minister RB Thimmapur and former RS member Dr L Hanumanthaiah, he hoped that Thursday's cabinet meeting would take a decision to implement internal quota for SCs.

As protesting youths mounted pressure on the government, the last cabinet meeting decided to fill vacancies by adhering to 50 per cent quota, with several cases pending before court. Meanwhile, Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot had given his nod for the 17 per cent internal reservation Bill, with 6 per cent each for SC Left and SC Right, and 5 per cent for others, including Bovis and Lambanis.

"At the last cabinet meeting, we had insisted on implementing internal reservation of 15% during recruitment. We had also met CM Siddaramaiah and DCM DK Shivakumar, who promised to bring it before the cabinet again," Muniyappa said, adding that Siddaramaiah has stood firm while implementing internal reservation. "Our community is shocked because internal reservation is not being implemented, though there has been a continuous struggle for 35-40 years. It resulted in the Supreme Court decision allowing states to implement internal reservation," he remarked.

He said though the Justice HN Nagamohan Das Commission was a little late in submitting its report, ministers from SC communities had reached a consensus on it.

Minister Thimmapur said a decision is likely at the cabinet meeting on Thursday. "Our young friends from the community are panicking but there is no need to launch a struggle against the government immediately," he suggested.

# Form policy to manage info on govt websites: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

TAKING note of inconsistencies between statutory provisions and information hosted on official websites, the High Court has asked the state government to ensure uniform standards in all its departments.

"The principal secretary of the department of e-Governance should, within a period of three months, formulate a comprehensive policy governing publication, verification and maintenance of content on official websites of all government departments, boards, corporations and statutory authorities," said Justice Suraj Govindaraj, cautioning BWSSB for uploading on its website information without having force of law, while rejecting a petition filed in 2016 by an educational institution seeking direction to declare that it is not liable to pay pro-rata charges as demanded by the board.

The court said the website of a public authority is not merely an informational platform. For most citizens, it is the first and often the only source of information. An ordinary person does not ordinarily read the parent Act or the detailed regulations framed under it. Instead, he or she relies on what is published on the official website... Therefore, the policy should provide a system of prior legal vetting before uploading any document that relate to statutory rights or obligations; prescribed fees, charges, classifications, penalties, or entitlements; or interpret or explain any provision of a law, the court said.

WAR REACTION

## *Educationist mourns death of Khamenei*

Bengaluru: Educationist and social activist **Aga Sultan** on Tuesday condoled the death of Iran's head of state Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. He said the loss marked the closing of a significant chapter for many who regarded Khamenei as a spiritual guide and symbol of steadfastness. Stressing that war cannot resolve political disagreements, he called for peaceful coexistence, dialogue and mutual respect between nations. "The stoic silence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the killing of Ali Khamenei, is baffling. His assassination marks an unprecedented and serious international event that has triggered widespread grief and geopolitical repercussions around the world," Sultan said. India's silence appears inconsistent with its longstanding tradition of principled diplomacy and moral leadership, especially when our relations with Iran have always been strong. As a proud and peace-oriented nation, India's voice matters on such historic moments that affect global stability, religious sentiments and the lives of millions, he added. **ENS**

## *Killed during talks, condemns Hariprasad*

Bengaluru: MLC **BK Hariprasad** has strongly condemned the attack on Iran, alleging that Iran's Supreme Leader, Ali Khamenei, was "deceptively assassinated". "Nowhere in the world do people kill during peace or during negotiations, yet they chose to kill him not during a war but while negotiations were still on," he told TNIE. So many days later, PM Modi has still not offered condolences, he added. In a sharp statement, Hariprasad termed the act a "complete violation" of the United Nations Charter and accused the United States and Israel of undermining the sovereignty and independence of a nation. "This is an attack not just on an individual but on the very principles of international law and national sovereignty," he said, asserting that such actions threaten global stability. Hariprasad also invoked India's long-standing foreign policy tradition, recalling that since the era of Jawaharlal Nehru, the country has adhered to the principles of the Non-Aligned Movement. **ENS**

EXPRESS READ

### Contractors to take to streets on Friday

Bengaluru: The Karnataka State Contractors' Association (KSCA) has threatened to hold a massive protest at Freedom Park on March 6 over the delay in payment of Rs 37,000 crore by the state government for works carried out before 2023. Addressing a press conference on Tuesday, association representatives said the government and chief minister have no mercy at all. "They say they will hold a meeting, but postpone it. We have made a 100-page appeal to the chief minister. It is now inevitable for us to go on strike. We will stop work for one day and go on strike," said KSCA president R Manjunath. Many projects concerning various departments, including the Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB), Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) and Public Works Department (PWD), will not be done that day. Around 20,000 people are expected to take part in the protest. The association also stressed that if their genuine demands are not met, they will go on a foot march from the CM's home constituency in April. **ENS**


GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
**THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT DIVISION, VIJAYAPUR.**
I.F.T.No:EE/PWD/VJP/PB/4059/5054 MDR Improvements/2025-26/5042 Dated:02.03.2026

**SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-Procurement)**

The- **Executive Engineer, Public Works Dept. Division, Vijayapur** Invites tenders from eligible tenderers (registered in Public Works Department) Total 7 work, As per standard bid documents kw- 4 4059-80-051-0-60-132- CMIDP head of account costing of amount for Rs. 400.00 Lakhs, the EMD amount of Rs.6,00,000.00 for the work. For above work G.S.T amount will be paid to the Contractor separately and Increase in G.S.T shall not be paid in the extended period of Contract for which the contractor alone is responsible for delay as determined by the authority while granting the extension of time. The calendar events of tenders, dates are fixed as follows(1) Last Date for Receipt of Tender Date-17.03.2026 upto 4.30 PM. (2) Opening of Technical Bid Date-18.03.2026 at 4:31 PM. (3) Opening of Financial Bid Date-20.03.2026 at 11.00 AM. (Clause-3 Conditions of Standard Bid Document may be seen in Departmental Website i.e i.e "https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in" and for more information may contact help desk Bangalore (Phone No. 91 80 46010000, +91 80 68948777) or office of the undersigned

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Vijayapur**

DIPR/VIJAYAPURA/768/KSMCA/2025-26

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ಘಟಕ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಆ&ಕು.ಕ.ಇ.ಇಂ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಫೋರ್ಟ್ ರೋಡ್, ಧಾರವಾಡ–580008
ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂ : 0836 – 2955800
(E-Mail : eehfwedvndwd1@gmail.com)
ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕಾನಿಅ/ಆಕುಕಇಇಂ/ವಿಭಾಗ–ಧಾ/ಪಿ.ಎಮ್. ಅಭಿಮ್/1913/25–26 ದಿ : 03.03.2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ – 2ನೇ ಕರೆ
**(Through KPP Portal only)**

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಆ&ಕು.ಕ.ಇ.ಇಂ., ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ ಇವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ವರ್ಗದ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿವಾರು ಹಾಗೂ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾವಾರು ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಈ ವಿಭಾಗದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿಯ ಪಿ.ಎಮ್. ಅಭಿಮ್: ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ : 9 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿರುವಂತೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿವಾರು **Double cover system,** ಐಟಂವಾರು ದರದ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ದಿ : **04.03.2026** ರಿಂದ **10.03.2026** ರ ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ವೀಕ್ಷಿಸಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕುಮೆಂಟಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ, ಹಾಗೂ ಸದರಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಬಿಡ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ದಿ : **11.03.2026** ರಂದು ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಆಸಕ್ತ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಯಾದಲ್ಲಿ, ನಿಖರವಾದ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆದು, ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಇನ್ನೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ವೀಕ್ಷಿಸಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಆ&ಕು.ಕ.ಇ. ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ.

ವಾಸಾಸಂ೩/ಧಾ/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/1304/2025–26

**Government of Karnataka**
**Executive Engineer,**
**RDW&S, Division, Mysore**
**Short Term Tender Notification No: 14/2025-26**
**Date: 24.02.2026**

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka Items rate tenders under (KC-3 & KW-4) Standard Bid documents (Two cover system) has been called for Nanjangud Taluk and Mysuru Taluk (Estimate cost 10.00, 180.00 Lakhs & 301.59 Lakhs respectively) under the Head of Account: 2215/2024-25. Tender is been invited as per Karnataka transparency Act G.O.No.FD9 PCL 2004 Dt. 06.08.2005 and as per recent amendments, Date of uploading Tender forms under e-procurement Dt:26.**02.2026 5.30 PM** onwards, Last Date for submitting the filled Tender forms is **07.03.2026 upto 5:30 PM**,Opening of Technical bid **09.03.2026, 5.30 PM** onwards, Opening of Financial bid after approval of Technical bid. Eligible Agencies can participate in the tender process and for e-procurement support contact e-procurement Tel. Phone No 080 – 22485867, 080-22485927. For more details log on to **https://kppp.Karnataka.gov.in** or contact the Officer under signed at office hours. Phone No.0821-2460 495. Tender Form Fees – As per e-procurement.

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, RDW&S, Division, Mysore**
DIPR/DDMYS/1761/KSMCA/996/2025-26

**CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL ROBERTSONPET KGF**
Phone:08153-260256,
E-Mail: itstaff_ ulb_robertsonpet@yahoo.com
No:CMC/KGF/AEE/TND/09/2025-26 Date:25.02.2026

**-: Tender Notification:-**
**(Through e-procurement only)**

**(1)** City Municipal CouncilRobertsonpet KGF, invites Tenders From the Construction and supply of goods and Service works detailed in the table below. Two Cover tender procedure as per rule 28 of the KTPP rules 2000 shall be followed. **(2)** Tender documents may be downloaded from government of Karnataka e-procurement website: **http://kppp.gov.in (3)** Tenders must be accompanied with earnest money deposit which will be paid online only through e-procurement website: **http://kppp.gov.in (4)** Tenders must be electronically submitted in e-procurement portal. **(5)** Further Information if required can be obtained from the office of the city municipal council, Robertsonpet, KGF During Working hours. **(6)** Head of account:2025-26 CMIDP Grant and Amrut 2.0 Grant **Indent sl no.1,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT53058/CALL-2 estimate cost Rs.80.5lakhs, **Indent sl no.2,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT53060/CALL-2, estimate cost Rs.72.5 lakhs, **Indent sl no.3,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT53064/CALL-2 estimate cost Rs.61.00 lakhs, **Indent sl no.4,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT53067/CALL-2 estimate cost Rs.67.00 lakhs, **Indent sl no.5,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT53068/CALL-2 estimate cost Rs.50.03 lakhs, **Indent sl no.6,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT53069/CALL-2, estimate cost Rs.67.00 lakhs **Indent sl no.7,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT53071/CALL-2, estimate cost Rs.67.5.00 lakhs **Indent sl no.8,** DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT52372/CALL-2, estimate cost Rs.211.52 lakhs

**Sd/- Dr M R RAVI Administrator CMC, KGF** | **Sd/- Sri Sridhar V Commissioner CMC, KGF**

DIPR/KOLAR/RO:515/KSMCA/2025-26

**SOUTHERN RAILWAY**
**No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-2025-26-14R3, 24 and 25 Dt. 27.02.2026**

For and on behalf of the President of India, the Divisional Railway Manager/Traction Distribution Branch, Chennai Division, Southern Railway, Chennai - 3, invites online tender from the experienced Contractors for the following works for further details, please refer to **www.ireps.gov.in**

| Sl. No. | Tender No./Name of the work | Value(Rs.) | Closing date/time |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | **Tender No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-2025-26-14R3** Conversion of Tramway OHE to conventional OHE on the MLPM (Melpakkam) bypass line in Chennai Division. | 14387168.27 | 23.03.2026 (15.00 hrs.) |
| 2. | **Tender No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-2025-26-24** Electrification of yard lines from Road 2 to Road 7 at Villivakkam Yard. | 20875713.91 | 23.03.2026 (15.00 hrs.) |
| 3. | **Tender No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-2025-26-25** Improvements to existing OHE by elimination of silver brazed/codal life completed contact wire on condition basis in Chennai Division. | 55881221.00 | 23.03.2026 (15.00 hrs.) |

**Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer, Divisional Railway Manager/Traction Distribution/MAS-3**

**KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED**
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919
No:KPCL/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT3928/Call-2 Date: 25.02.2026

**ABSTRACT TENDER NOTIFICATION**
**(Through e-Procurement portal only)**

Item rate Short-term tenders are invited through GoK KPP Platform **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from Contractors having adequate financial resources, state-of-the-art technology, suitable construction equipment and technical manpower with sufficient past experience in executing similar civil work for the work of **"Providing barbed wire fencing to R & R Land at Palasapasi and Andheri villages of Angul District and Construction of Gates in Odisha State"**. Period of Completion is **Three months** including monsoon. Those who have not registered in e-Procurement portal: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** may do so in order to participate in the tender. The brief bid notification containing the pre-qualifying criteria for the bidders, EMD, calendar of bid activites and other details can be accessed from e-Procurement portal. Further details can be had from **Chief (LA, R & R), KPCL, No.3, 1st Floor, Green Building, (Drug Controller Office Premises), Palace Road, Bengaluru-560 001.** e-mail: **chiefengineer.larr.2025@gmail.com** Website:**https://www.karnatakapower.com**

**KARNATAKA RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT LIMITED**
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the **Executive Engineer, KRIDL, BBMP Division-5**
KAY ARR POINT, No. 174, 1st Main Road, 2nd Floor, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru-560 020. **E-mail: ee5bbmp@kridl.net**
No.: EE/KRIDL/BBMP Division-5/WKS/TND/Minority/2025-26 Date: 02.03.2026

**TENDER NOTIFICATION**

On behalf of the Managing Director, Executive Engineer, KRIDL, BBMP Division-5, invites e-tenders through the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP) for the works with Tender Reference
**No. KRIDL/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT20**
**No. KRIDL/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT21**
**No. KRIDL/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT33**
under the two coversystem with an approximate Project cost for each work amounting to **Rs. 995.00 Lakhs** and EMD Amount of **Rs. 13.50 Lakhs.** Interested Contractors/Firms who wish to participate in the tender can view, download and apply only through KPPP **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** The schedule of specified Tenders are as under:

- Last date and time for online queries: **09.03.2026 up to 16.00 Hrs.**
- Last date and time for receipt of tender: **23.03.2026 up to 16.00 Hrs.**
- Date of Opening of Technical Bid: **25.03.2026 at 11.30 Hrs.**
- Date of Opening of Financial Bid: **27.03.2026 at 11.30 Hrs.**

For more information, **visit https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, KRIDL, BBMP Division-5, Bengaluru**

IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT DEVANAHALLI
**Criminal. MISC. No. 26 of 2026**
**Between: Sri. S.D.Avalappa ...Petitioner**
**And: The Registrar of Birth and Deaths,** Yelahanka Taluk **...Respondents**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client, **Sri. S.D. Avalappa** had filed the petitioner for the death of their brother by name **Sri. Munegowda** son of Sri. Muniyappa @ Dommanna who died on 10/03/1987 and petitioner's brother wife **Smt. Akkayamma @ Akkiyamma**, wife Sri. Munegowda who died on 13/02/2005 at Sathanur Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, If any party/parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing on **08/04/2026** at **11.00 A.M** in C.Mis No. 26/2026
Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 24/02/2026
By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Advocate for Petitioner:
**Sri. VENKATESHA & Smt. VANITHA. K**
No. 223, 1st Floor, LIC Office Building, Cubbonpet Main Road, Cubbonpet, Bengaluru- 02.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to inform General Public, my Client **Smt. MUNITHAYAMMA, D/o Ramayya Wife of Munikrishnappa,** residing at Mantapa Village, Bannerghatta Bangalore - 560083, Aadhaar No. 5779 6175 0343
My client is the owner of Property bearing No.1, Khatha No. 31/2A, situated at Kodichikkanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 40 + 38/2 feet and North to South 33 +31/2 feet, in all totally 1248 Sq.ft., and bounded on : East by : Remaining Eastern portion of same property belongs to Sri. P. Adl. Seshukumar, West by : Site No.2, North by : Road, South by : Private Property.
My client hereby declare that the above said property previous owner **M. RAMESH** original **Sale Deed registered as document No. BAS-1-22796/ 2004-05, C.D. NO. BASD 118, Book-1, dated 10-12-2004, registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk,** is misplaced / lost in my house even after thorough search I was not able to locate the same. In this behalf I have lodged online police complaint vide Serial No. 2068630 Lost Report No.2068630/2026 dated 18-02-2026 and as such through this Public Notice he has confirmed that the above said original Sale Deed has been lost.
If anybody finds / traces the said original documents, it is requested to contact and handover to the under signed immediately.
**SHIVANNA**, Advocate
No.28 12th Main Road, 4th Block East, Jayanagar, (Near Sub-Registrar Office), BANGALORE-560 011. Ph: (M) 9901507257
Bangalore, Date : 03-03-2026

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The General Public is hereby notified that our client **SRI.VINOD MOHAN NAGARAHALLI** is the sole and absolute owner of the schedule property.
Original Allotment Letter dated 18.11.1960 and Possession Certificate/Memo, both issued by City Improvement Trust Board in the name of Sri.C.R.Raghu, related to schedule property, are lost/misplaced by our client. In this connection, a police complaint has been lodged by our client on **03/03/2026** online.
Any person finding these documents Shall handover the same to the undersigned within 07 days from this day. If the said documents are misused by anybody, it shall not be binding on our client and he/she/they shall be doing so at their own costs and risks.
**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**
All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing old Site No.371, New Municipal No.19, Formerly Property No.371/19, Old No.3/1, PID No.22-81-19, situated at 65th Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 37 Feet, and North to South: 40 Feet, and the same is bounded on
East by : CITB Property No.370;
West by : CITB Property No.372;
North by : 65th Cross Road;
South by : CITB Property;
**H.K.GIRISH,** ADVOCATE
# 73, 27th Cross, 11th Main, BSK 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560 070.
Phone - 080-26632343 / +91 8867044666

**DOCUMENT LOST**

This is to inform the general public that my client **Mr. R.G. Nagaraj,** S/o R G Govindaiah, residing at No. 7/8(3), 1st Cross, 2nd Main, Navodaya Nagar, J P Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore South, Bengaluru-560076, while he was travelling near J P Nagar in between 25-02-2026 and 02-03-2026, have lost the documents pertaining the property bearing 1) Sale Deed, vide Doc. No. KRI-1-20289-2005-06 and 2) Sale Deed, Vide Doc. No. BNS-02142-2009-10.
Inspite of his best efforts he could not trace the same and in this regard on 09-02-2026, he had lodged online complaint at Police Unit: Bengaluru City, Vide Lost Report No. 2089006/2026 and 2089001/2026. If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the above below address within 7 days from the date of this publication.
**RUSHAB A.R.** Advocate
No. 301-A, 3rd Floor, Brigade Majestic, A Block, Gandhinagar, Bangalore-560 009.

**DOCUMENT LOST**

This is to inform the general public that my client **Smt. Gowramma,** residing at Kanaminike Village, Kumbalagodu Post, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, while she was shifting her house from Hosahalli, Vijayanagara to Kanaminike Village, near Kumbalagodu in between 20-02-2026 and 02-03-2026, she have lost the documents pertaining the property bearing Municipal No.15/4, PID No.45-4-15/4, situated at 9th Cross, Chamarajapet, Bengaluru, 1) Release Deed, vide Doc. No. 4875/1983--84, Book-1, Volume 1321, pages 189-191, registered on 08-02-1984 at the office of the Sub Registrar, Basavanagudi, Bangalore and 2) Gift Deed dated 24.07.2008 registered as a Document No. CMP-1-00900-2008-09, Book-I, stored in CD No.CMPD03, at the office of the Sub-Registrar Chamarajapet. Inspite of her best efforts he could not trace the same and in this regard on 02-03-2026 Vide Lost Report No. 2089274/2026 and 01-03-2026 Vide Lost Report No. 2087576/2026, she had lodged online complaint at Police Unit: Bengaluru City. If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the above below address within 7 days from the date of this publication.
**Anilkumar B.S,** Advocate
**Venkatadri Advocates,**
F-113, 4th Floor, Central Chambers, 2ndmain, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560 009.
Ph. No.9844949791.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The General Public is hereby notified that our client is the sole and absolute owner of the schedule property.
Original Sale Deed dated: 19-01-2017, Doc.No.SRJ-1-03847-2016-17, Stored in CD.No.SRJD223, registered at the Office of Sub-Registrar, Sarjapur, executed by Sri. Ramalinga Reddy, Sri. Gopala Reddy and their family members in favour of Sri. A.V.Anantharam represented by his GPA Holder Smt. Anitha related to schedule property is lost/misplaced by our client. In this connection, a police complaint has been lodged by our client on 03/03/2026 online.
Any person finding these documents Shall handover the same to the undersigned within 07 days from this day. If the said documents are misused by anybody, it shall not be binding on our client and he/she/they shall be doing so at their own costs and risks.
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# Country lacks dedicated oral health policy, says MP Prabha

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

INDIA does not have a dedicated dental health policy under the National Health Mission, and this has contributed to low awareness about oral healthcare, said dentist and Davangere MP Dr Prabha Mallikarjun at the ThinkEdu Conclave organised by *TNIE* on Tuesday. Speaking at a session titled 'Fast Forwarding Healthcare: Equity and Accessibility', she said that while dentists are posted at primary, secondary and tertiary levels in government hospitals, specialist services remain largely absent.

Dr Indu Bhushan, bureaucrat, economist and former CEO of Ayushman Bharat, said awareness and knowledge about healthcare vary widely across the country depending on income levels, caste and urban-rural divides.

Responding to a question from session chair Ravi Shankar, consulting editor of The Sunday Standard, on why nearly 80% of children in India suffer from tooth decay, Dr Mallikarjun said dental caries is highly prevalent but preventable through routine screening from school age.

Davangere MP Dr Prabha Mallikarjun at ThinkEdu Conclave 2026 | ASHWIN PRASATH

While TN's PTR speaks on social justice, K'taka's Sudhakar explains why state drafted own edu policy

TN IT Minister Palanivel Thiaga Rajan on five years of DMK rule | P JAWAHAR

# 'DMK's impact has been measurable'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

EMPHASISING on the scale and process behind welfare schemes, Tamil Nadu Minister for Information Technology and Digital Services Palanivel Thiaga Rajan on Tuesday listed out reasons for reelecting the DMK, stating that its approach in the last five years has been rooted in social justice.

Drawing on 10-year public life and decades of data analysis, he said the recent phase of governance has been marked by measurable impact. From the ₹12-per-child breakfast scheme to targeted welfare enabled by integrated databases, every initiative was structured for efficiency and inclusion. Even free bus rides were implemented in a way that protected loss-making transport corporations, Thiaga Rajan said.

"I hope the people will decide that we should continue because we do good work. We are thoughtful, we are responsible and we provide our political philosophy of social justice, 100% inclusion and upliftment of all sections of society, as opposed to just a few," he added.

Thiaga Rajan was speaking at the 14th edition of the ThinkEdu Conclave in a session titled 'Innovation to Impact: Building India's Tech Future', chaired by author Shankkar Aiyyar.

Talking about new jobs and employment opportunities in TN with the growth of AI, he said, "There are lots of new jobs being created. For example, there is a company in Coimbatore annotating and digitalising visual images for autonomous vehicles. Initially it had 200 jobs and now it has 400. So jobs are growing in different areas. The transformation of jobs will happen slower than we think. It is not immediate, and new jobs are being created, particularly for the foreseeable future."

Explaining the financial situation of the state, the minister said that while finances are not dramatically better today, they have stabilised alongside expanded welfare schemes and 11.19% real growth last year, he said.

Karnataka Education Minister M C Sudhakar speaking on NEP 2020 | P JAWAHAR

# 'NEP not suited for public institutions'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

KARNATAKA'S Higher Education Minister M C Sudhakar on Tuesday highlighted the practical problems of implementing National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, especially in regard to multidisciplinary learning, multiple entry-exit options and other structural flexibility.

In conversation with Sunaina Singh, former vice chancellor of Nalanda University on the theme, 'The New Curriculum: Reimagining Education', Sudhakar pointed out that Karnataka was the first state in the country to implement NEP 2020.

However, his Congress-led government believed that the previous government rolled out the policy in haste, without adequately addressing ground realities in public higher education institutions. Hence, the party set up a panel to draft a State Education Policy immediately after coming to power in 2023.

"Drafting a State Education Policy (SEP) was a part of our manifesto," said the minister, adding that the expert committee has already submitted its report.

Sudhakar said that the NEP 2020 is workable, and better suited for private and deemed universities — but not for public institutions. He noted that private universities enjoy academic autonomy, operate integrated campuses, and this structure enables smooth academic mobility across disciplines. In contrast, public universities cater largely to students from economically-weaker backgrounds and face serious faculty shortages and infrastructure constraints.

He pointed out that the biggest challenge in implementing the NEP 2020 is faculty shortage. Many institutions rely heavily on guest faculty, making it difficult to offer diverse electives such as cybersecurity or interdisciplinary courses. Therefore, without strengthening foundational capacities, he argued, NEP's multidisciplinary ambitions may be impractical for the public higher education system.

# TN leads in SS scheme, but GoI still denies funds: Anbil

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

THE 'Dravidian model', which emphasises equality and "everything for everyone", is not merely a social commitment but smart economics that enhances the state's productivity, said Tamil Nadu School Education Minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi on Tuesday. He was speaking during a ThinkEdu Conclave session chaired by K Vaidiyanathan, editor of Dinamani. The minister added that their upcoming manifesto will once again promise to move education from the Concurrent List to the State List.

He said, "When every child studies and every mind begins to work, the entire state becomes more productive. That is what we are focusing on through the Dravidian model."

Responding to a question on whether the absence of a third language in the school curriculum was a drawback of the Dravidian model, the minister said the government's position is that Tamil represents the state's cultural roots, while English serves as a bridge to wider opportunities. Tamil safeguards identity, confidence and self-respect, whereas proficiency in English ensures access to technology, law and science. The state therefore views Tamil as a language of identity and English as a language of opportunity, he said.

Addressing the issue of the pending Samagra Shiksha (SS) scheme funds from the union government, the minister said, "An allocation of over ₹35,000 crore-₹48,000 crore is pending and the future of 43 lakh students and the salaries of more than 32,800 teachers and staff depend on it. Our schemes have progressed well and even earned union government praise, with TN leading in 19 of 20 Samagra Shiksha objectives. Yet, when we seek funds, we are told to sign an MoU; that is blackmail. Our chief minister has made it clear that signing such an MoU would be equal to pulling society 2,000 years backwards, and we will not do that. Even for ₹10,000 crore, we will not compromise. We know how to manage our finances and remain committed to prioritising school education."

On bridging the education gap after the pandemic, he said, "We have many CMs in India, but it was the CM of Tamil Nadu who recognised that reopening schools after the pandemic was not the real challenge but bridging the learning gaps was. After two-and-a-half years, many children had forgotten how to read and write. Following consultations, we launched Illam Thedi Kalvi, supporting 34 lakh students with 1.76 lakh volunteers. Nearly 60% of the learning loss was regained."

TN Minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi speaking during Tuesday's session | ASHWIN PRASATH

Union min lauds *TNIE*'s ThinkEdu '26

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**MESSAGE**

It gives me immense pleasure to extend my warm greetings to the organisers and participants of the 14th ThinkEdu Conclave.

At a time when India stands at the cusp of transformative growth, platforms such as ThinkEdu play a vital role in shaping conversations around education, innovation and nation-building.

The vision of an Atmanirbhar Bharat begins in our classrooms. As we enter the Amrit Kaal, our education system is moving beyond conventional frameworks and becoming a catalyst for innovation, self-reliance, and global leadership, in line with the National Education Policy 2020

Our youth are not only the beneficiaries of policy but active partners in building a Viksit Bharat. It is through dialogue, debate and the free exchange of ideas that we prepare them for this responsibility.

The Government of India remains committed to strengthening the education ecosystem — ensuring access, equity, quality and skilling aligned to the needs of a rapidly evolving world. Initiatives under the National Education Policy aim to nurture critical thinking, creativity and inclusivity, empowering students to become confident global citizens rooted in Indian values.

I commend the organisers for curating a platform that brings together policymakers, educators, industry leaders and students under one roof. Such engagements are essential to bridge policy and practice.

I wish the ThinkEdu Conclave great success and hope the deliberations lead to meaningful outcomes that benefit our young minds and our nation.

(Annpurna Devi)

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# Mass movements, student protests have dramatically declined, says Pilot

Rajasthan MLA Sachin Pilot speaking on the upcoming elections in Kerala | P JAWAHAR

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

SPEAKING at the 14th edition of the ThinkEdu Conclave on Tuesday, Congress leader and Rajasthan MLA Sachin Pilot said that the party will form the government with a historic mandate in Kerala and that the general public in Tamil Nadu seemed satisfied with the governance (by the DMK). Pilot was in a discussion on 'Beyond Degrees: Notes from the Field', with senior journalist Kaveree Bamzai.

When asked about the Congress-DMK seat-sharing talks in Tamil Nadu, he said discussions were under way, adding that the governance had been good and that the general public appeared satisfied. While opposition and dissenting voices are natural, there has largely been appreciation for the government here, he said.

"Congress has been a long-standing partner of the DMK in the state and centre. Ultimately, the people will decide," Pilot added.

He said that the Congress will go on to form the government in Kerala with a historic mandate and also stand a good chance in most states that are set to go to polls soon.

Responding to a question on why young people seem comfortable with the current state of affairs in the country, Pilot said, "In the past, irrespective of the government in Delhi, there were large movements — student, labour and social movements. However, in the past decade, there has been a steady and dramatic decline in protests, demonstrations and mass movements. I think there is an ecosystem being created where there is zero tolerance for anyone trying to express views that differ ideologically and politically from those in Delhi. That's not a good sign."

Pilot articulated his approach to campaigning, emphasising that he avoids seeking a "negative vote". Instead of criticising, blaming or fault-finding, he strives to be a "positive political worker". His strategy is to present his vision, alternative plan and blueprint for the future.

# Arif: There are more Muslim leaders critical of clergy now

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

BIHAR Governor Arif Mohammed Khan on Tuesday said that there are more liberal and modern Muslim leaders today than there were in 1986 who are critical of the clergy and clerical-level leaders. They are not as afraid of them as they were 20 years ago, but they have yet to become outspoken. He made these remarks during the 14th ThinkEdu Conclave.

Khan was responding to a question from *TNIE* Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla, "Where are the Arif Mohammed Khans of today?" The governor had resigned as a minister in the Rajiv Gandhi cabinet in 1986 when the government was about to enact a law to reverse the Supreme Court's verdict on the Shah Bano case. He had gone against a section of his own community in opposing this move. In that context, when Chawla asked where such leaders are today, Khan said they exist but are not as outspoken.

Khan said he opposed the government's move to amend the SC ruling purely because it went against his integrity.

Attendees during the second and final day of the 14th edition of ThinkEdu Conclave held in Chennai on Tuesday | ASHWIN PRASATH

# 'Education is important, but it should also lead to jobs'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

WEST BENGAL Governor Dr C V Ananda Bose on Tuesday explored the relationship between education, public service, and nation building. He spoke on the theme, 'Academics and Public: Service Lessons for Tomorrow'.

To highlight the importance of education as an exercise of nation-building, Bose quoted the Kothari Commission Report, which states that the "destiny of India is being shaped in her classrooms".

"Education is not policy, nor is it these seminars we hold. Education is what remains after one forgets what has been learned in the classroom," he added, paraphrasing Einstein.

West Bengal Governor Dr C V Ananda Bose during his address | P JAWAHAR

"We proudly say, 'Education is empowerment,' 'Education is emancipation,' 'Education is enlightenment' — these are true, but education must also lead to employment," he added.

**ARIF MOHAMMED KHAN**
BIHAR GOVERNOR

**Liberal and modern Muslim leaders today are not as afraid of the clergy and clerical leaders as they were 20 years ago, but they have yet to become outspoken**

**PALANIVEL THIAGA RAJAN**
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FORMER CEO OF AYUSHMAN BHARAT

**Awareness and knowledge about healthcare vary widely across country depending on income levels, caste and urban-rural divides**

# ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ

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## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
## LAND ACQUISITION OFFICER AND COMPETENT AUTHORITY & ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER
### Sagar Sub Division, Sagar

No **PUBLIC NOTICE**

In exercise of the powers under section 3D (1) and (2) of National Highways Act 1956 (48 of 1956) (herein after referred to as the said Act) with it amendment from time to time, the Central Government vide their Gazette Notification S.O. 1039 (E) Dated: 26-02-2026 have required the lands indicated in the schedule hereunder for widening of National Highway NH-766C in the stretch of land from Km 146.00 to Km 154.00 (Byndoor - Ranebennur section) in the District of SHIVAMOGGA in the State of KARNATAKA.

Under the provisions of Sub Section (1), (2), (3) and (4) of section 3G of the said Act the public notice is hereby issued to the land owners and intrested persons in such land to appear in person or by an agent or by a legal practitioner on the following date and time before the Land Acquisition Officer and Competent Authority, Assistant Commissioner, Sagar Sub Division, Sagar to state the nature of their respective interest in such land along with the copies of the documents such as 1) Original records, 2) Sale/ Partition / Other deeds of title 3) R.T.Cs 4) Copy of Mutation register 5) Tax paid receipts 6) Encumbrance certificate and any other relevant document.

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Sd/-
Land Acquisition Officer & Competent Authority,
Assistant Commissioner, Sagar sub Division, Sagar.

## MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
## NOTIFICATION

**New Delhi, the 26th February, 2026**

S.O. 1039(E).— Whereas by the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, 3285 (E) Dated:18/07/2025 , published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Subsection (ii) issued under sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highway Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government declared its intention to acquire the land specified in the Schedule annexed to the said notification for building (widening / four-laning, etc) Maintenance, management and operation of NH766C in the stretch of land from Km. 146.00 to Km. 154.00 (Byndoor - Ranebennur section) in the district of SHIVAMOGGA in the state of KARNATAKA;

And whereas the substance of the said notification has been published in "The Hindu" dated 26/07/2025,"Udayavani" dated 26/07/2025 ; under sub-section (3) of section 3A of the said Act;

And whereas the Competent Authority has received objections filed under Section 3-C, considered and settled the same appropriately;

And whereas, in pursuance of sub-section (1) of section 3D of the said Act, the competent authority has submitted its report to the Central Government;

Now, therefore, upon receipt of the said report of the competent authority and in exercise of the power sconferred by the sub-section (1) of section 3D of the said Act, the Central Government hereby declares that the land specified in the said Schedule should be acquired for the aforesaid purpose;

And further, in pursuance of sub-section (2) of section 3D of the said Act, the Central Government here bydeclares that on publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, the land specified in the said Schedule shall vest absolutely in the Central Government, free from all encumbrances.

**SCHEDULE : Brief description of the land to be acquired, with or without structure, falling within the stretch of land from Km. 146.00 to Km. 154.00 (Byndoor - Ranebennur section) of NH-766C in the district of SHIVAMOGGA in the state of KARNATAKA**

| State: KARNATAKA | | | District: SHIVAMOGGA | | |
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| S. No. | Survey / Plot Number | Type of Land | Nature of Land | Area (in Hectares) | Name of Land Owner/Interested Person |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Taluk: Shikaripura | | | | | |
| Village: Sadashivapura | | | | | |
| 1 | 58/1 | Private | Wet | 0.200862 | Kenchamma W/o Krishnappa, Santhosh Kumar K S/o Krishnappa, Sampat Kumar K S/o Krishnappa, Rajanna S/o Dodda Hucharayappa, Hemaraja S/o Dodda Hucharayappa, |
| 2 | 58/3 | Private | Wet | 0.136947 | Ravi Aliyas Raviraj S P S/o Doddasiddappa |
| 3 | 60/1 | Private | Wet | 0.135959 | Sakamma W/o Ramappa |
| 4 | 60/2 | Private | Wet | 0.140257 | Sakamma W/o Ramappa |
| Village: Channahalli | | | | | |
| 5 | 117/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0154277 | 3rd Party Geetha Yane Giddamma D/o Haralenne Mallappa |
| 6 | 126/1 | Private | Wet | 0.0042357 | Maheshwarappa S/o Basavanyappa |
| 7 | 126/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0084395 | Jayalakshmi W/o Prabhakara |
| 8 | 127/1 | Private | Wet | 0.000605 | S Durgappa S/o Shiddappa |
| 9 | 130/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0050277 | Shanthamma W/o S Siriyanna, Revanasiddippa S S/o S Siriyanna, Raju S |
| 10 | 131/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0252743 | P M Ganesh S/o P Mallurappa |
| 11 | 133/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0060025 | Shivappa S/o Basettappa |
| 12 | 134/1 | Private | Wet | 0.216916 | Lakshmamma W/o Huchappa A J |
| 13 | 135/1 | Private | Wet | 0.0621368 | Mayamma, Ramesh K C, Prakash K C |
| 14 | 135/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0598354 | Meenakshi D/o Revanappa, Bharath S/o Revanappa, Veena D/o Revanappa, J R Giddappa S/o Revanappa, Vijayakumara S/o Jeekanna |
| 15 | 135/3 | Private | Wet | 0.0872791 | Beeresh H G |
| 16 | 136 | Private | Wet | 0.119258 | Meenakshi, Bharath, Veena, G R Giddappa, Ashokappa S/o Jeekanna, |
| 17 | 137/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0020045 | Maruthi Rao S/o Bhavani Rao |
| 18 | 137/3 | Private | Wet | 0.0129269 | Huchappa S/o Hanumanthappa |
| 19 | 137/4 | Private | Wet | 0.134172 | P Jayamma W/o Sadashivayya |
| Village: Nelavagilu | | | | | |
| 20 | 66 | Private | Wet | 0.3911232 | Udayakumar S/o Murigeppa, Kashinathappa S/o Murigeppa |
| 21 | 68/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0434725 | Manjappa H S/o Guddappa Hallur Mane |
| 22 | 68/4 | Private | Wet | 0.0084395 | J M Ramachandrappa S/o K Marudappa |
| Village: Haliyuru | | | | | |
| 23 | 51 | Private | Wet | 0.0002615 | Siddalingappa S/o Honnanna |
| 24 | 57/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0084184 | P Shivashankarappa S/o Mallurappa, Savitha W/o H B Ganesh |
| 25 | 58/1 | Private | Wet | 0.0126133 | Lakkamma W/o Hanumanthappa |
| 26 | 58/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0072416 | Siddappa S/o Choudappa |
| 27 | 59/1 | Private | Wet | 0.009807 | Siddappa S/o Choudappa |
| 28 | 68/1 | Private | Wet | 0.0512876 | Kadappa S/o Siddappa, Raghunatha M S/o M Mahadevappa M Manjula C/o M Mahadevappa, Ravi M S/o M Mahadevappa, Naveena Kumar M S/o Mahadevappa |
| 29 | 68/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0544192 | Hanumamma W/o late Shidlingappa, Gududappa S/o Neelappa, Lakkamma W/o Hanumanthappa, Siddappa S/o Choudappa, Jayalingappa S/o Mylappa, Gudadappa S/o Hanumanthappa, M Shivakumara S/o Mylappa, Neelappa S/o Siddalingappa,Lakamma W/o Hanumanthappa,Siddappa S/o Choudappa. |
| 30 | 70/2 | Private | Wet | 0.009288 | Ninganna S/o Shankanna |
| 31 | 71 | Private | Wet | 0.1104384 | Siddanna S/o Choudappa |
| 32 | 72/1 | Private | Wet | 0.103751 | M Shivappa S/o Kariyappa Maralera |
| 33 | 72/13 | Private | Wet | 0.0198755 | M S Raju S/o Shivappa Murulera |
| 34 | 72/21 | Private | Wet | 0.0410745 | Megharaj M S S/o Shivappa M |
| 35 | 72/22 | Private | Wet | 0.0691116 | Megharaj M S S/o Shivappa M |
| 36 | 72/7 | Private | Wet | 0.0537037 | Prasanna S/o Kannanna |
| 37 | 72/8 | Private | Wet | 0.0477209 | Gaviyappa S/o Sidanna |
| 38 | 73/1 | Private | Wet | 0.0112334 | H Yallappa S/o Sanna Ningappa, Savithramma W/o Hallur Malathesha |
| Village: Gabburu | | | | | |
| 39 | 116/2 | Private | Wet | 0.176885 | S H Manjunatha S/o S Halappa |
| 40 | 116/3 | Private | Wet | 0.0599261 | Rakesh Patil, Smt. V Vijayalakshmi W/o V Raghavendra Prasad |
| 41 | 59 | Private | Wet | 0.224243 | Jamburu Rajanna S/o Siddappa |
| 42 | 62/4 | Private | Wet | 0.196653 | Hasmath Unnisa W/o Abdul Razak Sab |
| 43 | 63/2a | Private | Wet | 0.14646 | K R Manjunath S/o Bosle S/o late K Ramarao |
| 44 | 64/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0404329 | Haladamma W/o K Huchamma |
| 45 | 66/3 | Private | Wet | 0.429421 | Bharath S/o Kottada RudroojiRao |
| 46 | 67/3b | Private | Wet | 0.060184 | Prabhavathi W/o Raghaveendra |
| 47 | 72/1 | Private | Wet | 0.2239711 | K G Lakshmi W/o S M Chandrashekarayya |
| 48 | 80/1 | Private | Wet | 0.29584 | Ismail Sab S/o Khadar Sab |
| 49 | 80/2 | Private | Wet | 0.193123 | Malathesharao S/o Begur Ningojirao |
| 50 | 82 | Private | Wet | 0.0097552 | Neelakantappa S/o Viroopakshappa |
| 51 | 93/2 | Private | Wet | 0.0115412 | Government |
| 52 | 93/3 | Private | Wet | 0.171333 | Puttamma W/o Kalappa |
| | | | Total | 4.6666154 | |

[F. No. RW/BNG/NH-766C/Shikaripura Town/18/2022/1670/3D]
SHAIKH AMINKHAN, Director

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# JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

## NOTICE OF SALE THROUGH PRIVATE TREATY

**SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS CHARGED TO THE BANK UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002. (SARFAESI ACT)**

The undersigned as Authorized Officer of Jana Small Finance Bank Limited has taken over **Physical Possession** of the schedule property under the SARFAESI Act.

The Authorized Officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** had already conducted multiple public auctions for selling the property, but they turned out to be unsuccessful as no bids were received. Hence please be informed that if the total outstanding dues in the aforesaid loan account are not paid within **Fifteen (15) Days** from the date of this publication of this notice, then the Authorized officer will proceed for sale via private treaty of the property as stated below.

Public at large is informed that the secured property as mentioned in the Schedule are available for sale through Private Treaty, as per the terms agreeable to the Bank for realization of Bank's dues on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS".**

**Standard terms & conditions for sale of property through Private Treaty are as under:**

1. Sale through Private Treaty will be on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS".**
2. The purchaser will be required to deposit 100% of the sale consideration on the expiry of publication of this notice.
3. In case of non-acceptance of offer of purchase by the Bank, the amount if any paid along with the application will be refunded without any interest with in the stipulated time.
4. The purchaser should conduct due diligence on all aspects related to the property (under sale through private treaty) to his satisfaction. The purchaser shall not be entitled to make any claim against the Authorized Officer/ Secured Creditor in this regard at a later date.
5. The Bank reserves the right to reject any offer of purchase without assigning any reason.
6. The purchaser has to bear all stamp duty, registration fee, and other expenses, taxes, duties, society dues in respect of purchase of the property.
7. Sale shall be in accordance with the provisions of SARFAESI Act / Rules.

| Sr. No. | Loan Account Number | Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrowers | Amount as per 13(2) Demand Notice under SARFAESI Act. | Reserve Price for Private Treaty |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 31879630000809 | 1) Mrs. Maheshwari Kirubakaran, Also at: M/D. J S Enterprises, 2) Mr. Kribakaran K | Rs.4,58,456/- (Rupees Four Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Six Only) due as on 16-01-2025 | Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Only) |
| | Details of Secured Assets: All that piece and parcel for Site No.116, Sy.No.02, Measuring East to West 18 Feet, North to South 12 Feet, Totally Measuring 216 Sq.feet, Situated at Siddarthanagara Peenya Plantation, Rajarajeshwari Nagara, BBMP and **Bounded on the: East by:** Galli, **West by:** Site No.107, **North by:** Site No.117, **South by:** Site No.115. | | | |

The aforesaid Borrower's/ Co-borrower's attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of SARFAESI Act for redemption of secured assets mentioned hereinabove by tendering the aforementioned outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the bank before the sale of secured assets.

**Correspondence Address: Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362951653), email: ranjan.naik@janabank.com. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited, (formerly known as M/s. Janalakshmi Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.), having Office The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.**

Date: 04.03.2026, Place: Bangalore — Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited

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# WESTERN RAILWAY
MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/11/2026, Date 27.02.2026

| S.N. | TENDER NO | SHORT DESCRIPTION OF ITEM | QUANTITY | T.O.D. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 74 | 26261005 | Running Contract of One Year for supply of HVN-66 insulating Liner as per RDSO Drawing No. T-8751 | 3650600 Nos | 01-Apr-26 |
| 75 | 26267091 | Running Contract for One Year for supply of HVN-66 insulating Liner as per RDSO Drawing No. T-3707 to 3708 | 150000 Set | 30-Mar-26 |
| 76 | 09253165 | OVERHAULING KIT | 3380 Set | 30-Mar-26 |
| 77 | 15252290 | LATERAL DAMPER | 1101 Nos | 30-Mar-26 |
| 78 | 15262022 | AXLE BOX PIVOT BUSH | 4419 Nos | 26-Mar-26 |
| 79 | 11265001 | Design, fabrication, supply, erection, testing and commissioning of Hydraulic Buffers | 4 Set | 25-Mar-26 |

**CORRIGENDUM**

Please read the due date as "13.03.2026" for the tender notice no S-06-2026 dated: 28.01.2026 at Sr. No. 53

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** and **wr.indianrailways.gov.in** 1187

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# Can Fin Homes Ltd
Hesaraghatta Road Branch
No. 765, 1st Floor , 60 feet Road, MEI Layout, Bagalagunte, Hesaraghatta Road, Bangalore-560073
Mob: 7625079153, Ph: 080- 28390315
E-mail Id: hesaraghatta@canfinhomes.com
CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699

Hesaraghatta Road Branch

## DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)"

**To,**

**1. Mr. Swarnavarnan S R** S/o S K Raghavendra Rao (Borrower)
**2 Mrs. Bhuvaneshwari G** W/o Swarnavarnan S R (Co-borrower)
# No.27, Sri Raghavendra Sadana. 3rd Cross, Myadarahalli village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Chikkabanavara Post, Bangalore-560090

No. 1 & 2 amongst you have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset belonging to No.1 & 2 of/Amongst you. An amount of **Rs.36,02,449/-** (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Two Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Nine Only) is due from you to Can Fin Homes Ltd. as on 02.03.2026 together with future interest at the contracted rate.

**Details of the mortgaged Property:** All that piece and parcel of immovable Residential Property bearing Southern Portion of Site No.27, Formed in Survey No 31/2, Situated at Myadarahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore - 560090. Measuring East to West: 40 feet, and North to South 20 feet, Totally Measuring 800 Sq. feet. Bounded On:East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Remaining Portion of Same Site No 27, South by: Site No.28.

Registered demand notice was sent to you under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non Performing Asset on **28.02.2026** as per the NHB Guidelines. The borrowers and any others claiming under them are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon from **02.03.2026** within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to Initiate action under SARFAESIAct to enforce the aforesaidsecurity. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Place: Bangalore
Date :02.03.2026

Sd/-
**Authorised Officer**
**Can Fin Homes Limited**

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# Karnataka Bank Ltd.
Your Family Bank. Across India.

Asset Recovery Management Branch, 1st Floor, FKCCI Building, Kempegowda Road, Bengaluru-560009
Phone : 080-22955928 (Gen)/22955929 (AGM)
E-Mail : blr.arm@ktkbank.com
Website : www.karnatakabank.com
CIN : L85110KA1924PLC001128

## POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Karnataka Bank Limited,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **15.11.2025** calling upon the borrower/mortgagor/guarantor– **(1) Mr.Shashidhar R** S/o Mr.Rathnakar B S **(2) Mrs. Seema Shashidhar** W/o. Mr. Shashidhar R, **Both 1 & 2 are addressed at :** TF-303, 3rd Floor, Parvi Golden Nest, Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore-560085 to repay an aggregate amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.42,14,866.63 [Rupees Forty Two Lakh Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Six and Paisa Sixty Three Only] under TL A/c No. 9217001600011701 along with future interest from 26.10.2025** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower/ guarantor/mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor/mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this **25th day of February 2026.**

The borrower/ guarantor/mortgagor/legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property mentioned herein below and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka Bank Ltd.,Bengaluru–Nagarabhavi Branch,** for an aggregate amount of **Rs.40,16,630.05 [Rupees Forty Lakh Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred Thirty and Paisa Five Only] under TL A/c No.9217001600011701 along with future interest from 26.01.2026 Plus Cost.**

[Your attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.]

**Description of the Immovable Property**

All that Part and parcel of the **Residential property measuring 1660 Sq.ft** (SBU) along with **307 Sq ft** Undivided Share, bearing Unit No. TF-303, situated on 3rd Floor, Parvi Golden Nest, along with one covered car parking area at Basement and other amenities, BBMP Khata No. 887/2/3, Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560085 belonging to **Mr. Shashidhar R. Boundaries of property as per Document & Actual: East by :** Open to Sky, **West by :** Open to Sky/Flat No.304, **North by:** Entrance/Passage, **South by:** Open to Sky.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 25.02.2026

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer
For Karnataka Bank Ltd.,

## IN THE COURT OF THE IVTH ADDL' CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL UNIT AT BENGALURU (CCH-21)

**Loan No. PHR000902907343**
**O.S.NO.25757/2024**

**Between**
**Axis Bank Limited,**
Having its Registered Office at
'Trishul', 3rd Floor, Opposite Samaratheshwar Temple, Near Law Garden, 'Ellis Bridge', Ahmedabad - 380006.
Branch office at Plot No.41, Sheshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore - 560009
Represented by its Senior Manager and Authorized Representative Ms. Anukthi Shetty
...Plaintiff

**And**
**Kavya & Others** ... Defendants

**SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO.1 TO 3 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE**

**To,**
**D1. Kavya,** D/o Sri. Lokanath, C/o Rangaswamy, No.10, Yeranapalya, New Extension, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bengaluru - 560016
**D2. Smt. Bhojamma L,** -W/o Sri. Lokanath, C/o Rangaswamy, No.10, Yeranapalya, New Extension, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bengaluru - 560016
**D3. M/s Aswani Properties (India) Private Limited,** A Company registered under the Companies Act, No.911, Shri Kshetra Complex,25th Main, 39th Cross, Above Karnataka Bank, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bengaluru - 560069.

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of **Rs.13,88,271/-** (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Eighty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Seventy One Only) together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendant No.1 to 3 hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble IVth Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-21) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on **27.03.2026 at 11.00 a.m.** failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this **23.02.2026.**

**BY ORDER OF THE HON'BLE COURT**
**Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayohall Unit, Bangalore**

Advocate for plaintiff,
**S A Associates,** No.10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore-560 047

## IN THE COURT OF THE LXII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-63)
O.S No. 5068/2023

Between:
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited, having its registered office at: Landmark, Race-Course Circle, Vadodara-390007 having its head office at: and Zonal office at 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanahalli, Hosur Main Road, Bengaluru-560068 And also having branch at M.G. Road, Bengaluru, through its Authorised representative Mr. Harish E
...Plaintiff

And:
Mr. Y S Prashanth Kumar
...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Defendant:
Mr. Y S Prashanth Kumar,
S/o. Suresh Yarasa
Aged About 30 years,
R/at No. 30/9, Maruthi Nilaya,
3rd Cross, 3rd Main, Murugesh Palya, NAC Wind Tunnel Road,
Near Bus Stop, Bengaluru 560103

Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit for recovery of money for sum of Rs. 5,39,251.85/- (Rupees Five Lakh Thirty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-One and Eighty-Five Paisa Only) along with interest at the rate of 24% P.A. against you, and you are summoned to appear before the LXII Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge at Bengaluru (C.C.H.-63), in person or by a pleader, on the day of 15/04/2026 at 11:00 AM to answer the claim, failing to which the suit would be disposed of Ex-Parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this the 26th day of February, 2026 at Bangalore.

By order of the Court
Assistant Registrar
Hon'ble City Civil Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Plaintiff
B.S. Jeevan Kumar
Vidhii Partners, Advocates,
No. 701, Queens Corner 'A',
3, Queens Road, Bengaluru -01.

## BEFORE THE HON'BLE III ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COMMISSION BANGALORE, KARNATAKA

**COMPLAINT No. 222/2025**

**Between : Divya Chabbra ...Complainant**
**And : Sri Mookambika Foods And another**
**...Opposite Parties**

**SUMMONS TO OPPOSITE PARTY No. 2**

To, **Samsul Valet Parking,** Having office at 991, Ground Floor, Tulasi Theatre Road, 2nd Cross, Kaveri Layout, Near Raddison Blu, Marthahalli, Bengaluru-560037.

Whereas the Complainant has filed this Complaint No. 222/2025 pending before the Hon'ble 3rd Additional District Commission Bangalore, Shanti Nagar, Bengaluru and also taken to you as Opposite Party No.2. Hence you are hereby summoned to appear before Hon'ble 3rd Additional District Commission Bangalore, Shanti Nagar, Bengaluru **on 02.04.2026 at 10:30 am** in person or through pleader to answer the claim of the Complainant, failing which the matter will be determined in your absence and you would be placed ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of this Court this on 26.02.2026.

**By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, Cum Bengaluru Urban 3rd Additional District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, 1st Floor, BMTC 'B' Block, TTMC Building, KH Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru - 560 027.**

Advocate for Complainant :
**Law & Legal Advice**
Office at Bavisha Urban Homes, 237(2), Sy.No. 15/2, Kadaagrahara Village, Marathahalli - Sarjapur Rd, Bengaluru, Karnataka 562125.

## KARNATAKA URBAN WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD

Jalabhavan, BTM layout,
Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru-560029
Ph:080 – 41106508, e-mail:cemkwb@gmail.com

**TENDER NOTIFICATION** (Gem Portal of Government of India Only)

**No: KWB/TEC/CE D&M/DCE.M/TA.1/VEH/884/2025-26**
**Date:03.03.2026**

**NAME OF THE WORK:** Providing Services of hiring of vehicle to Office of the Chief Engineer (D&M) KUWS & D Board Bengaluru, for a period of 12 (twelve) months (April 2026 to March 2027) (including provision for additional vehicle for unforeseen circumstances)

**GeM TENDER NUMBER: GEM/2026/B/7311427**

For further details may be obtained through Gem Portal website:**https://gem.gov.in**

**Sd/-**
**Chief Engineer (D&M),**
**KUWS & D Board, Bengaluru**

DIPR/CP/5957/CCL/2025-26

## PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby informed that, my client **Sri. Mannoorkatil Suresh** S/o Sri.Mannoorkatil Ravunni, R/at Mannorkatil House, Payyampalli Road, Nilambur, Malappuram, Kerala-679330, Aadhaar No:7319 2717 9403, **have lost the Original Registered Sale Deed dt:24.01.2019,** registered at document No:BGR-1-07740/2018-19, Book-1, stored in CD No:BGRD351, at the office Sub Registrar, Begur, **Original Registered Confirmation Deed dt:27.06.2014,** registered at document No:INR-1-02604/2014-15, Book-1, stored in CD No:INRD112, at the office Sub Registrar, Indiranagar, Bengaluru and **Original Registered Gift Deed dt:05.12.2018,** registered at document No:BMH-1-07303/2018-19, Book-1, stored in CD No:BMHD809, at the office Senior Sub Registrar, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru, in respect of **Residential Site bearing No:86,** Katha No:101/86, Assessment No:101, measuring East to West : 46 feet and North to South : 25 feet, totally measuring 1150 square feet and **Residential Site bearing No:87,** Katha No:101/87, Assessment No:101, measuring East to West : 46 feet and North to South : 25 feet, totally measuring 1150 square feet, both comes under BBMP, Ward No:189-Hongasandra, Bengaluru, **both situated at Hongasandra Village,** Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, Bengaluru. I hereby given to the all the General Public that whoever found the above mentioned original Sale Deed, Confirmation Deed and Gift Deed is hereby requested to deliver the under singed within 7 days from the publication of this notice. After the said period my client will treat the above said original documents has lost permanently and will take further steps in accordance with law as he deems fit for his further transaction.

This publication is made based on the Complaint / Lost Report No. 2085038/2026, Dt: 27.02.2026 filed before Karnataka Police, Bengaluru City, Bengaluru.

**MUNIYAPPA S, ADVOCATE**
No.854, 2nd Cross, Channakeshava Nagar, Near Channakeshava School, E.City Post, Bengaluru-560100. **Mobile No. 9945747945**

## KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD

**(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)**
**No.2, 2/1 and 2/3, Kalidasa Marg, 1st Main Road, Gandhinagar**
**Bengaluru - 560 009. Phone No. 080-22265383, website: www.kiadb.in**

**IADB/ENGG/ETND-EP-90/3745/2025-26** **Date: 03.03.2026**

**SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER**
**(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)**

Item Rate Tenders under two cover bid system is invited for the work mentioned below as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through electronic procurement from eligible Contractors who have got adequate financial resources, state of the art technology, suitable construction equipments, technical man power & sufficient past experience for the the following works as per the schedule given below:

**Name of the Work : 1)** Improvements and resurfacing to Hulimangala to Hoskote Road at Malur 4th Phase Industrial Area, Kolar District.
**2)** Upgradation of Roads in Growth Centre Industrial Area, Hassan District.

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **23.03.2026** upto **4.00 pm.**

Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

**Sd/-**
**Chief Engineer-1, KIADB Bengaluru**

DIPR/CP/5970/Zen/2025-26

## श्री ಸುಬ್ರಮಣ್ಯೇಶ್ವರ ಕೋ-ಆಪರೇಟಿವ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಲಿ., Sree Subramanyeswara Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

ESTD:1971
**(R.B.I. Licence No. UBD-KA 550 P)**
**A.O. : Rajatha Bhavana, No.106, R.V.Road, Visveswarapuram, Bengaluru-560 004.**
**Ph : 080-22422461/63, Email: recovery@subcobank.com.Website: subcobank.com**

## NOTICE OF SALE- IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Auction sale under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Securities Interest Act 2002 of the Immovable property mortgaged to **Sree Subramanyeswara Co-Operative Bank Limited, Rajatha Bhavana, No.106, R.V.Road, Visveswarapuram, Bengaluru-560 004** for recovery of secured debts below mentioned. For the realization of these debts the mortgaged property has brought for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION".**

| Borrower / Owner Name | Description of the Property & Loan Amount | Auction Date & Time and Place | Reserve Price & EMD Amount |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Subramanyanagar Branch. Phone: 080-23321252, 23426677** | | | |
| **M/s.Venkatagiri Bar & Restaurant, Proprietor: Sri.Dase Gowda C @ Dasegowda Chikka Venkataiah** | All the piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing No.272, PID No.14-100-272, Situated at Mahalakshmi Gruha Nirmana Sangha, West of Chord Road, 2nd Stage, 2nd Phase, EPID No.9611800190, BBMP Old Ward No.14, New Ward No.67, Nagapura Bangalore, measuring East to West 50 feet & North to South 30 feet, totally measuring about 1500 sq.ft. together with structures standing thereon and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Property No.265, North by: Property No.271, South by: Property No.273. **Property belonging to Sri.Dase Gowda C @ Dasegowda Chikka Venkataiah & Smt.Nandini K C.** **For Recovery of Rs.2,12,06,076.00 (Rupees Two Crores Twelve Lakhs Six Thousand Seventy Six Only) and future interest and other charges from 28/02/2026.** | **Date: 08/04/2026 Wednesday 11.00 AM at Rajatha Bhavana, No.106, R.V.Road, Visveswarapuram, Bengaluru-04** | **Rs.2,80,00,000/- EMD Amount Rs.28,00,000/-** |

**TERMS AND CONDITION OF AUCTION**

**(1)** The intending bidders should Deposit EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price by means of Demand Draft/Banker's Cheque/Pay Order drawn in favour of Sree Subramanyeswara Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Rajatha Bhavana No.106, R V Road, V V Puram, Bengaluru-560004, payable at Bangalore. The Demand Draft/Banker's Cheque/Pay Order shall be drawn after the date of publication of this Auction Sale Notice. **(2)** The properties "SHALL NOT" be sold below the reserve price. **(3)** In case the bidder is not successful the E M D amount shall be refunded without interest. **(4)** The EMD amount shall be liable for forfeiture without prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Auction Sale. **(5)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the Sale Price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in NEFT/RTGS or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale Price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the properties shall be put for re-auction. **(6)** The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues/taxes/charges/property tax/KEB charges/water charges/conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws. **(7)** The Authorised Officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all of the tender or/bid/offer and/or adjourn/postpone/cancel the Auction Sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice. **(8)** The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank. **(9)** The properties can be inspected by the intending bidder between 10.00 AM and 5.00 PM at his expenses at the address mentioned in the Schedule. **(10)** The properties are put for sale on "AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION" The intending bidder shall satisfy himself about the title, ownership, statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property. **(11)** In case of stay of further proceedings by DRT/DRAT/High Court or any other court, the auction may either be deferred or cancelled and persons participating in the sale shall have no right to claim damages, compensation or cost for such postponement or cancellation. **(12)** This is also notice to the (Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors) aforesaid loan about holding of auction sale on above mentioned date if their dues are not repaid in full, other terms and conditions applicable as per the Act.

**For further details the intending bidders may contact the Authorised Officer, Sree Subramanyeswara Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Rajatha Bhavana No.106, R.V Road, V V Puram, Bengaluru-560004. for ascertaining the details of properties and also for inspection of property (Ph.080-26622462, 22422461/63, 9900607365).**

**Date : 03.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
**Place : Bengaluru** **Sree Subramanyeswara Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,**

## Karnataka Public Work Department
**(A Government of KarnatakaEnterprises) O/O Executive Engineer PWD Division, Hosapete, Dist:-Vijayanagara**

**No:EE/PWD/Dn/Hosapete/TND/ AE-1 /2025-26/3930** **Date:- 24.02.2026**

**Short Term E-Tender Notification**

Tenders are invited by undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, PWD Division Hosapete, Vijayanagara Dist, for the works notified in the statement below. The bid shall be in One or Two Cover system namely technical bid and financial bid through KPP Portal, following the link **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

| Sl. No | Work Indent No | Estimate Cost (Rs in Lakhs) | Sl. No | Work Indent No | Estimate Cost (Rs in Lakhs) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | PWD/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT33225 | 100.00 | 5 | PWD/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT32491 | 500.00 |
| 2 | PWD/2025-26/BD/WORK_INDENT32512 | 100.00 | 6 | PWD/2025-26/BD/WORK_INDENT28245 | 150.00 |
| 3 | PWD/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT33306 | 250.00 | 7 | PWD/2025-26/BD/WORK_INDENT33944 | 100.00 |
| 4 | PWD/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT32988 | 300.00 | 8 | PWD/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT32385 | 25.00 |

| | | For Sl No1 to 7 | For Sl No 8 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Quarries of Tender On | As Per kppp Portal. | As Per kppp Portal. |
| 2 | Last Date of Tender Submission On | 12.03.2026 @ 16.00 Hours | 07.03.2026 @ 16.00 Hours |
| 3 | Tender Opening date On | 13.03.2026 @ 16.30 Hours | 09.03.2026 @ 16.30 Hours |
| 4 | Financial Bid Opening Date | As Per kppp Portal. | As Per kppp Portal. |

**Note:** The Competent Authority / Employer reserves the right to Accept / Reject / Withheld the all Tenders without assigning any reason.

**Sd/- Executive Engineer,**
**PWD Division Hosapete, Vijayanagara District.**

DIPR/Vijayanagar/2025-26/KSMCA/RO No/563

## Canara Bank
A Government of India Undertaking

**ARM– II Branch, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001.**
**Telephone numbers 080-25310099, 080-25310181, E-mail: cb6298@canarabank.com**

**SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**
**(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the **ARM - II Branch, Bangalore of Canara Bank,** the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM - II Branch, Bangalore** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

| Sl. No. | Borrower Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets: | Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice | Description of Immovable Properties(Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned) | Auction Date & Time | Reserve Price & EMD | Incremental value at the Bid |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | **(1) M/s. SLN CNC Tech Pvt Ltd,** No.8, 9th Cross, Rajagopalnagar Main Road, Ganapathi Nagar, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangaluru-560058. **(2) Mr. M. L. B. Gowda,** No.11, 2nd C Cross, AGBG 2nd Stage, Mahalakshmipuram-560086. **(3) Mr. M. V. Ashoka** S/o Sri M. B. Virupaksharaddhya, At 2, 6th Cross, Nagadevanhalli, Jnanbharathi Post, Bengaluru- 560056. **(4) Mrs. M.V.Suma** At Panchanahalli, Kadur-577182. **(5) Mr. Shiva Prasad J. M.,** No.63, 4th Block, 4th Cross, RMV 2nd Stage, Dollars Colony, MLA Layout, Bangalore-560094. **(6) Mrs. Umadevamma** W/o Sri. B. R. Shivanna, No.42, 9th Main Road, 4th Cross, Near Central Library, Hampinagara, Bengaluru-560040. | **Rs. 9,10,32,162.61/- (Rupees Nine Crores Ten Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty Two and Sixty One Paise Only) as on 01.03.2026 and plus interest thereon and other expenses** | All that piece and parcel of the House Property Site No.63, New Municipal No.63, BBMP PID No.100-760-63, situated at Rajmahal Vilas, 2nd Stage, 4th Block Extension 4th Cross, Dollars Colony, M.L.A Layout, Bengaluru in the layout formed by Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore, Ward No.18, measuring East to West 50 Feet and North to South 80 Feet in all measuring 444.44 Square Yards or 4,000 Square Feet, together with residential building constructed thereon and bounded on the: East by : Site No 62, West by : Site No 64, North by : Site No 59, South by : Road. **Property in the Name of Mr. J M. Shivaprasad** | **26.03.2026 from 01.00 PM. to 03.00 PM** | **Reserve Price Rs. 12,00,00,000/- EMD Rs. 1,20,00,000/- on or before 25.03.2026** | **Rs. 1,00,000/-** |
| 2. | **(1) Mrs. Shabreen Taj W/o Siraj Borrower/ Mortgagor,** No. 187, Ground Floor, 3rd Main Road, HBR Layout, 1st Stage, 1st Block, Subhash Layout, Bangalore North, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560043 **(2) Mr. Siraj S/o Babu, Co- Borrower/ Mortgagor,** No.187, Ground floor, 3rd Main Road, HBR Layout, 1st stage, 1st Block, Subhash Layout, Bangalore North, Bengaluru,Karnataka-560043 **(3) Mr. Riyaz S/o Babu, (Co- Borrower)** No. 627, 8th Cross, 1st Stage , 5th Block, HBR Layout, Bangalore, Karnataka-560043 | **Rs. 71,15,508.32 (Rupees Seventy One Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred Eight and Thirty Two paise Only) as on 01.03.2026 plus further interest thereon along with expenses, other charges.** | All that piece and parcel of property bearing Old Sy No 38, Present converted Sy No 38/2 (converted vide official memorandum dated 02.06.2010, beaing NoALN(N.A.Y)SR. 183/2009-10, issued by the office of special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore), Present BBMP Katha No 91/1/38/2, Situated at Thirumenahalli Village, YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, totally measuring 1Acre 20 Guntas and bounded as follows: On the East by: Road and Remaining land in the Sy no 38/2, Retained by the Owners herein, West by: Land in SY no 40 belongs to Girijamma W/o Sri Muniyappa, North by: 30 feet Road and Sy No 26/3, South by: Property belongs to Annaiah. **SCHEDULE B : 491 Sq.feet** undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above, **SCHEDULE C :** Apartment bearing **No 111,** on the First Floor in measuring 1015 sq.feet Super Built-up Area (Which is includes 762 Sq.ft Carpet Area) containing Two Bedrooms, together with RC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, along with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase& lift, contained in the multistoried residential building known as **"SLV GREEN CITY",** constructed over schedule "A" property. | **26.03.2026 01.00 PM to 03.00 PM** | **Reserve Price Rs.58,00,000/- EMD Rs. 5,80,000/- on or before 25.03.2026** | **Rs.25,000/-** |

**OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS** (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. (b) The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer. (c) The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. (d) EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (Baanknet) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. (e) After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **25.03.2026,** to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. (i) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. (ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. (iii) Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, M/s.PSB Alliance (Baanknet)- e- mail: **support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com.** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. (f) Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Sl No.1 : Rs.1,00,000/- & Sl No.2 : Rs.25,000/-.**The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. (g) The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298. (h) For sale proceeds of Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. (i) All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. (j) Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. (k) In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. (l) Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. (m) After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act.

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**Date : 02.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised officer**
**Place: Bangalore** **Canara Bank**

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| 1. | **(1) Mr. Muralidhar N** S/o M Narayanappa No.31, 41th cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560082. **(2) Smt. Kamalamma (Mortgager),** W/o N Narayanappa, 31, IV Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560082. **(3) Smt. Roopa** W/o Muralidhar N, 31st, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560082. | **Rs. 9,46,83,706.13 (Rupees Nine crores forty six lakhs eighty three thousand seven hundred six and thirteen Paisa) plus further interest thereon from 02.03.2026 and other expenses** | **Property No. 1 :** All that piece and parcel of residential house bearing property No.34, situated at 4th Cross, West division of 7th block,Jayanagar,Bengaluru measuring East to West: 40 Ft and North to South: 50 feet and Bounded by: East: Property of Mr.Vallabha Rao, West: Private Road, North: Road, South: House of Ramakka & others. **Owner name: Mrs. Kamalamma** | **09.04.2026 from 1:00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m** | **Reserve Price Rs. 474.95 Lakhs EMD Rs. 47.50 Lakhs** | **Rs. 1,00,000/-** |
| | | | **Property No.2 :** All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site no.72, situated at 6th Phase, 4th H Block, Banashankari, Bengaluru measuring East to West :12Meters and North to South: 18 meters and bounded by: East: Site No.73, West: Site No.71, North: Private property, South: Road. **Owner name: Mrs. Roopa** | | **Reserve Price Rs. 278.95 Lakhs EMD Rs. 27.90 Lakhs** | |
| | | | **Property No.3 :** All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing property no.13 (portion of Site no.13B and 14A),6th Cross, 4th Main, N S Palya, Bilekahallli, Begur, Bengaluru measuring East to West: 40 ft and North to South : 30 Ft and bounded by : East: Property of Kamini Das, West: Road, North: Property of N Muralidhar, South: Property of Narasimha. **Owner Name: Mr. Muralidhar N** | | **Reserve Price Rs. 145.30 Lakhs EMD Rs. 14.53 Lakhs** | |

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**Date : 03.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised officer**
**Place: Bangalore** **Canara Bank**

# EDITORIAL

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Geoffrey Hinton

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— Ramnath Goenka

## LONG-TERM HEDGE NEEDED AGAINST ENERGY SHOCKS FROM W ASIAN CONFLICTS

INDIA is facing an energy shock from the widening circle of conflict in West Asia, which has spilled over from Iran to the Gulf Cooperation Council countries. With tanker traffic halted at the Strait of Hormuz, the only shipping corridor out of Persian Gulf through which a fifth of the world's oil and gas passes, Brent crude has shot up by more than $10 over the pre-war level of $65 a barrel. Nearly 55 percent of India's daily average import of 4 million barrels comes through the 33-km-wide strait next to Iran.

Now, every $1 increase in the per-barrel cost of crude adds $2 billion to our annual oil import bill, which touched $137 billion in 2024-25. If the war drags on—with Donald Trump indicating an initial readiness for "four to five weeks"—the soaring costs will throw our trade balance out of gear and put pressure on the rupee. To aggravate the situation, our stocks amount to only 40-45 days of consumption, unlike China which is stocked up for 6 months.

There is also the human cost of the widening conflagration that has spread to Dubai, Doha, Manama and Kuwait. Iran's retaliatory attacks, which are targeting American military installations and GCC oil assets for now, have already led to the death of one Indian aboard an oil tanker bombed by drones. West Asia is home to nearly a crore Indian workers who together remitted about $118 billion to their homeland in 2023-24. Many of them are now scrambling to get out of the war zone where hundreds of daily flights have been cancelled. The closure of airspaces has also added to the cost of other long-haul east-west flights.

The emerging reality throws an unflattering light on India's recent decision to concede to the American demand of reducing cheaper Russian crude imports to around 1 million barrels per day from the peak of about 2 million bpd in 2025. This has left us with a thinner cushion to absorb energy shocks. It is time for New Delhi to use all its diplomatic levers to rein in the prospect of 'forever wars' in the region. In the short term, India must swiftly set up exit corridors for our expat brethren from areas of conflict. In the long run, we must hedge against energy shocks by ensuring wider sources of supply and a larger strategic storage.

## MYSURU CAN INSPIRE B'LURU ON CLEANLINESS

THE Greater Bengaluru Authority has joined the race for securing a respectable rank in Swachh Survekshan 2026, the annual urban cleanliness survey expected to begin in March. In 2025, the IT hub had ranked 36 among 40 million-plus cities. In 2024, it was deemed the ninth dirtiest among 134 urban bodies surveyed. Public cleanliness deteriorated to such an extent that what was once celebrated as the 'Garden City' was colloquially called 'Garbage City'.

Like all Indian cities, Bengaluru depends on landfills. Almost half the city's 6,000-tonne daily waste is packed off to the Kannur and Mittaganahalli dumpsites in the suburban Mahadevapura and Byatarayanapura constituencies. The city has 768 black spots, of which 757 are cleared every day. Bengaluru Solid Waste Management is now looking for 100 acres of land in a hilly region within 40 km from the city. Bengaluru development minister D K Shivakumar has appealed to farmers and developers in Kolar, Nelamangala, Magadi and Kanakapura to give up land, and promised immediate and fair compensation. There are also plans to set up two integrated solid waste management parks on the city's outskirts—one on government land at Gollahalli and the other in Doddaballapur, where BSWM seeks to acquire 70 acres at ₹1.57 crore an acre. It has been a fraught journey so far with regular protests by villagers living near landfills. Already, there is ecological damage around the abandoned dumpsites of Mandur, Bingipura and Mavallipura.

This year, the Centre has allocated ₹2,245.30 crore to Karnataka under Swachh Bharat Mission 2.0, with ₹512.68 crore for urban sanitation projects in Bengaluru once it submits its action plan for waste processing, disposal and mechanised road cleaning. The approved projects include waste-to-energy plants, material recovery facilities, sanitary landfills, transfer stations to handle daily waste and remediation of 100.49 lakh tonnes of legacy waste. The city is looking at generating revenue by selling fuel produced from waste to cement plants. Citizens are being made to toe the line with heavy fines and threats of garbage being dumped at their doorsteps.

It is heartening to see the city trying to get its act together and strive for a better ranking. It can look towards Mysuru for inspiration—the City of Palaces was declared India's cleanest in 2016, and found place in the elite Super Swachh League in 2025.

QUICK TAKE

### OLD ORDER GIVETH WAY

THE decades-long duopoly between the Tories and Labour in governing the United Kingdom (with brief dalliances with the Liberal Democrats) seems to be sliding to a sputtering end. First came last week's bypoll victory of Hannah Spencer, a 34-year-old plumber and Green Party member, at a seat claimed by Labour for more than a century. Then the latest survey of voting intention across Britain put the Greens at 21 percent, just behind Nigel Farage's right-wing Reform UK on 23 percent. Not in the picture are the parties of Clement Attlee and Harold Wilson on the left, and of Benjamin Disraeli and Winston Churchill on the right. The British public's disgust with the old political order may hold lessons for politicos elsewhere who take their support for granted.

We are celebrating artificial intelligence without understanding how it redefines democracy. It can infuse a polity with creative imagination if common people can have a say on it

## THE QUESTIONS WE ARE NOT YET ASKING OF AI

SHIV VISVANATHAN

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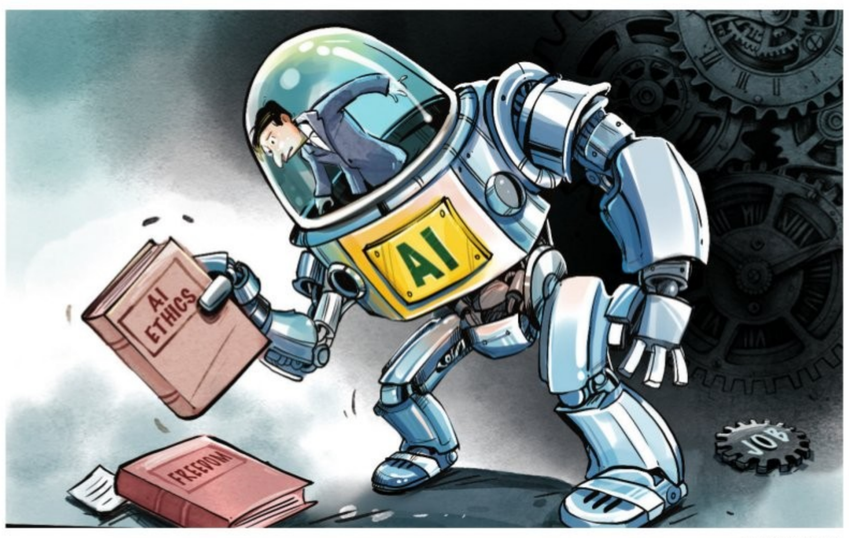


MANDAR PARDIKAR

C Wright Mills, the American sociologist and author of the two classics *White Collar: The American Middle Classes* and *The Power Elite*, often talked about the 'great celebration'. He used the term to refer to the Eisenhower era, when America was celebrating itself not only as a victor from a world war, but also as a great democracy.

Mills noted that while one tended to emphasise the official America, one tended to forget the silences, the doubts, the distances created by such a term. His idea of the great celebration can be used in the Indian context. When we talk about the Union government today, we are talking about a great celebration.

In this context, one has to emphasise three things. Modi's achievement in winning electorally for the third time has given him a sense of permanence while the iconic pictures of Indira Gandhi or Jawaharlal Nehru fade.

The second point is that Modi is seen as an astute person who has managed to innovate and even 'tame' Trump on tariff and trade.

And the third point is the artificial intelligence summit recently held in Delhi, which emphasised a new tryst of destiny between corporate power and the political elite.

In this context, one has to ask whether AI as a great celebration can be understood as it is, or whether it needs something more. In terms of its silences, availability of alternatives and the political economy, AI has to be reworked to be understood. There is a necessity for dissent and critical imagination, and there is a silence about it.

One of the best ways of trying to understand this is to look at the national movement, which was pluralistic, dialogical and deeply experimental. It included arguments from the theosophists, the Marxists, the Gandhians. It created a plurality that helped shape the imagination. Gandhi was an exemplar of this tremendous sense of experimentation.

What kind of epistemology underlies AI and how does one reflect on it? One has to ask whether AI is restrictive or open-ended in terms of information, and the consequences of the definitions it offers to the theory of freedom.

The second exemplar I want to cite is C V Raman, who not only won the first Nobel Prize in physics for India, but was, in a deep and fundamental way, an original man. When asked to open chemical laboratories of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, he said they were tombs for burying scientific instruments.

What one wants to emphasise here is not the animosity, but the sense of autonomy. Raman would say he would rather find out one more property of a diamond than worry about its industrial uses. He kept a certain distance between government and science. How does one create a dialogue, a distance, a plurality between government and science? Where does autonomy stand in the question of AI? Who are the dissenters? Where are the pluralists of the day?

The last exemplar I want to cite is Subrahmanyan Chandrasekhar, who developed many of his theories when still at the Presidency College in Madras. He tried to hold on to these theories during his Cambridge years, when Arthur Eddington and others were battering him. Chandrasekhar survived to win another Nobel in physics. What one has to understand here is the autonomy, the confidence, and the quiet non-violent way in which he proceeded with an alternative way of thinking.

AI needs such plurality. The question is, how do we create this? One has to worry about a set of social experiments. We need exemplars who are dissenters, to show us alternative ways of thinking.

The second question is: what is the epistemological status of AI? Why does it not have corresponding ethical experiments, which are required so that AI does not get contaminated by power?

AI, which today is a corporate initiative, has to be a democratic initiative tomorrow. There has to be a democracy of knowledge systems. One has to have a notion of cognitive democracy. AI can help us create the possibilities of a new kind of experimental democracy.

What I want to emphasise is not so much the technical logic of experimentation, but the social experimentation that goes into science. Gandhi emphasised this in the national movement. In a similar way, we need local experimentation, local responses to technology.

The second example I want to suggest is that of the knowledge panchayat. Debates on science policy tend to be exotic and full of expertise. There seems to be little place for the ordinary person. The knowledge panchayat would allow ordinary people to express their ideas about, say, AI—their articulation of their own interests. AI must create around itself a nest of knowledge panchayats that create the possibilities of critique, openness and transparency.

The third example is that we need an ethics centre. Ethics in the old sense will not do when we are dealing with AI. We need a research centre completely autonomous of government, which raises the whole question of ethics and AI as a new kind of scientific responsibility. The idea of Pugwash can no longer be restricted to nuclear energy; it has to spread to new technologies. The kind of debate that has taken place in biotechnology has to now take place in AI too.

One also has to look at the militarisation of AI. How do peace groups react to its potential aspects? This kind of transparency would add much to the imagination of India as a new kind of democracy.

AI is both text and pretext for the new democratic imagination. It can become the possibility of a new non-violent science. But for that, one needs new kinds of professionalism, new kinds of ethics, and a new way of looking at science as a way of creating life.

This brings us to livelihood. What does AI offer in terms of jobs? Is there an obsolescence of old livelihoods? What is the measure of obsolescence? What is AI capable of eliminating? There is a silence about these questions. What is frightening is the celebration of AI in the presence of ignorance of the issues we are confronting.

AI is not just a philosophical or ethical issue. It becomes an opportunity for a new kind of social creativity. It allows democracy not just to be about representative issues, but about a creative imagination. The future becomes very important. AI and futuristics are deeply correlated. Democracy has to be equally future-sensitive. Democracy, epistemology, freedom—all become terms within which we capture the imagination of the subject.

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## CLOSING THE COLLEGE JOBS GAP

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A quiet anxiety runs through India's university campuses. Degrees are conferred with pride; yet, for many graduates, they mark the beginning of a sobering gap between education and opportunity. For a country that has invested heavily in expanding higher education, this disconnect is more than an economic concern—it is a crisis of trust between the promise of learning and the lived realities of young Indians.

Today, India hosts one of the world's largest higher education systems. This expansion is frequently cited as evidence of widening access and democratic aspiration. Yet institutional growth has not been matched by a commensurate integration of employability and skills into higher education. The Periodic Labour Force Survey 2023-24 shows that only 0.97 percent of Indians aged between 14 and 18 have received any form of institutional skilling. Limited exposure to structured training weakens the link between education and economic opportunity, undercutting the promise of India's demographic dividend.

Employability assessments reveal the scale of the problem: barely 55 percent of Indian youth meet industry benchmarks, leaving nearly half of degree-holders unprepared for work. This makes skill education within universities indispensable—particularly market-aligned, application-oriented skills in the service sector which absorbs over half of formally-trained youth.

At its core lies a long-standing university-industry rupture: campuses remain insulated around instruction and certification, while industry has evolved separately—a model no longer viable amid technological change, global competition and fluid labour markets.

The National Education Policy 2020 squarely acknowledged the structural rupture between higher education and employment, calling for a shift away from rote learning and rigid disciplinary silos toward practice-oriented learning. It identified internships, apprenticeships, industry-linked curriculums, research partnerships and institutional autonomy as vital to rebuilding this relationship. The National Credit Framework operationalises this vision by allowing apprenticeships and industry certifications to count toward degree credits, while schemes such as National Apprenticeship Training Scheme 2.0 extend apprenticeship-embedded pathways beyond engineering. Yet uptake across universities remains uneven, underscoring the gap between policy intent and institutional practice.

Nearly five years after the NEP's adoption, implementation remains uneven. While some institutions have embraced collaboration and curricular reform, many continue to operate within regulatory, financial and cultural systems that reward conformity over innovation. As India's political economy shifts rapidly, this institutional inertia has become more costly.

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> Even five years after its promulgation, the National Education Policy is unable to heal the structural rupture between higher education and employment. Efforts like Japanese businesses in Gujarat training local youth in specific skills should be institutionalised across the nation

The structural misalignment between education and employment that is both inefficient and inequitable. Employers struggle to fill vacancies even as graduates face delayed or unsuitable employment, forcing firms to invest heavily in retraining. Indian universities remain detached from the core of industrial innovation, despite the presence of over 1,700 global capability centres and a ₹1-lakh-crore R&D and innovation scheme that has yet to bridge this divide.

International experience shows that effective university-industry linkages must be institutionalised. The India-Japan partnership illustrates this. Japanese firms in India have invested not only in production but in training ecosystems through institutes for manufacturing, curriculum support and skill exchange programmes rooted in *kaizen* and advanced manufacturing. Education, in this model, is treated as a long-term investment in productivity and innovation.

Gujarat captures both the opportunity and the paradox of India's industrialisation. Despite hosting over 350 Japanese companies, major auto-manufacturing clusters and emerging hubs for semiconductors and logistics, firms continue to report shortages of industry-ready technicians, mechatronics specialists and renewable-energy engineers, particularly at the industrial training institute and diploma levels.

The constraint lies in the limited integration between industry needs and academic training—a gap that has prompted initiatives such as Japan International Cooperation Agency's engagement with the Central University of Gujarat to align curriculums with industry requirements and introduce structured internship pathways.

The Union Budget's emphasis on university townships near industrial and logistics corridors acknowledges that spatial proximity enables sustained collaboration. Where universities are embedded in local production ecosystems, as seen in agriculture, health technology and digital skills, outcomes improve markedly. What remains missing is scale, coordination and durable institutional support.

Therefore, reform must be systemic. Universities need governance autonomy to partner with industry without procedural drag; faculty evaluation must reward applied research, patents and collaboration and financing frameworks should incentivise industry co-investment through clear intellectual-property regimes. Equally important is a cultural shift: universities must be treated as engines of innovation rather than regulatory subjects, and industry must engage academia as a long-term partner, not merely a recruitment channel.

Without durable university-industry linkages, India risks remaining a consumer rather than a producer of technology. Reconnection is thus not simply an economic reform, but a generational obligation that requires pragmatic execution.

*(Views are personal)*

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### J&K's lessons

Ref: *Opening to transform J&K* (Mar 3). The victory is momentous. Last year's one-run upset from a semifinal berth at the tournament must have reinforced the squad's resolve to go for the big glory. Now it's time to nurture talent and fix a permanent spot among the best.
**Sachidananda Satpathy, Sambalpur**

### Testing resilience

Ref: *The beginning of an endurance test* (March 3). The crisis is testing alliances, economic resilience and diplomatic patience in ways that cannot be resolved through swift military outcomes alone. More than a moment of confrontation, it eerily appears to be a long and uncertain chapter in an already fragile geopolitical landscape.
**Narayanan Kizhumundayur, Thrissur**

### Students' violence

Ref: *A new code of silence on campus* (Mar 3). When intangible political ideologies come into the picture, controversy arises—especially when there is a mindset of not listening to others. Monopolised thought can pave the way for violent expressions. Can we then still expect authorities to be mute spectators?
**Jitendranath Guru, Padampur**

### Canine precaution

Ref: *Hidden risks of dog licks* (Mar 2). It's surprising even educated masters of pet dogs allow their children at infant stages to play with the pets with maddening physical contacts without the slightest care of attracting deadly diseases. A medically safe distance must be followed as a precautionary practice.
**Sanath Kumar T S, email**

### Institutional decay

Ref: *Burden of harsh laws* (Mar 2). Arvind Kejriwal was the face of the common man at one point. It's sad to see agencies bowing down to pressure and fabricating cases. While the State's institutions are expected to function independently and fairly, their very purpose has faded away.
**Vishnuvardhan Ravindrakumar, Karur**

### Peace process

Ref: *Dangerous escalation* (Mar 2). Even though Iranian leadership has expressed its willingness to talk, military operations continue unabated. War will only deteriorate the economy of the fighting countries and the rest of the world. It's time peace-loving nations took initiative and brought the warring parties to the negotiating table.
**H P Murali, Bengaluru1**

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**POSTS OF THE DAY**

**Shivraj Singh Chouhan** @ChouhanShivraj
Grateful to Hon'ble @VPIndia Shri @CPR_VP Ji for his gracious guidance and encouragement during our meeting at Parliament House today

**Tejashwi Yadav** @yadavtejashwi
I participated in shraddh of late Santlal Ji, organised in Saidpur Ganesh Panchayat under Raghoopur Assembly constituency, and paid my floral tributes

**Pawan Khera** @Pawankhera
Where is @HardeepSPuri? In five years, half of India's crude oil imports, more than half of its LNG, & 85% of its LPG have moved through the Strait of Hormuz

# India braces for prolonged West Asia crisis with immediate, long-term strategy

**SHEELA BHATT**
Delhi-based senior journalist

THE government is preparing for a prolonged and complex crisis as the war in West Asia intensifies, with senior officials indicating that New Delhi is planning for both immediate contingencies and a long-term strategic response.

Sections of the establishment feel the US-Israel conflict with Iran could widen in the coming weeks. One senior source said the scale of the unfolding situation may require "epic rescue" efforts by India, given its deep economic and human linkages with the Gulf.

"It seems," the source said candidly, "this war will continue and spread."

After President Donald Trump said on Monday that the US would continue attacking Iran as long as necessary, officials in New Delhi went on heightened alert.

One senior source involved in strategising outlined India's core concerns, saying, "Our people in the Gulf, oil trade prospects and broader security interests are at stake."

At the forefront is the safety of between 90 lakh and one crore Indian nationals living and working across Gulf countries and parts of the West Axsia affected by hostilities. Iranian drone and missile strikes have heightened anxiety among them.

Officials acknowledge that many Indian workers are living in fear. The government is in touch with host governments to ensure escalations don't leave Indian nationals vulnerable.

The government has also faced criticism from opposition leaders over its diplomatic positioning, particularly its decision not to condole the reported killing of Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. Congress leader Sonia Gandhi has questioned the government's "silence".

**We are careful about our choices. We are currently focused on the well-being of one crore Indians living in the Gulf countries, who are facing a crisis. We shall do everything possible to protect them.**

A senior government source said, "We are careful about our choices. We are currently focused on the well-being of one crore Indians living in the Gulf countries, who are facing a crisis. We shall do everything possible to protect them."

When asked whether this approach risks alienating Shia communities globally, including in India, the source was emphatic: "Don't fail India by narrowing down India's choices. We see the bigger issue. We have good relationships with the Gulf countries. Mutual respect and warmth with the governments in the Gulf region is there to see. The Sunni rulers of the region have been treating our people with respect. They have invested billions of dollars over the years. Indians' remittances have been over $100 billion. We've to take a call. These countries are under attack from Iranian drones and missiles. It's a call we make in our people's interest. It's our decision, taking into account our long-term national interest."

Officials also underline India's longstanding security cooperation with Israel, recalling support during conflicts such as Kargil and Balakot. Strategically, Israel remains a significant partner in defence and intelligence cooperation.

"Every country in the world is looking after its own interests. India is doing so to ensure minimum damage. Every passing day, the risk is increasing," the source said. Drawing a parallel with precedent, the official added: "In the past, the Congress government didn't issue condolences for Col. Gaddafi because it was looking ahead. We are taking a 360-degree view of the crisis. We have to depend on other governments for our people's safety in the Gulf. Let domestic politics go on, but the Indian government will have to limit the damage of the war."

On whether Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent visit to Israel influenced India's stance, the source said, "India was unaware of the actual plans of the war. The PM went to Israel after nine years, and everything was planned accordingly. It was a historic bilateral visit."

# India pushes for dialogue, diplomacy

## Urges all sides to exercise restraint, avoid escalation & prioritise the safety of civilians

**JAYANTH JACOB** @ New Delhi

NEW Delhi on Tuesday issued a strong call for an immediate end to the escalating conflict in Iran and the wider West Asia region, warning that it threatens Indian lives, economic interests and regional stability.

"India strongly reiterates its call for dialogue and diplomacy. We raise our voice clearly in favour of an early end to the conflict," External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said at a media briefing.

India had first expressed concern when hostilities began on February 28, 2026. "We had urged all sides to exercise restraint, avoid escalation and prioritise the safety of civilians. Unfortunately, in the holy month of Ramadan, the situation in the region has deteriorated significantly," the spokesperson said.

Jaiswal noted that the conflict has widened in scope. "We have not only witnessed an intensification of the conflict but also its spread to other nations. The destruction and deaths have mounted, even as normal life and economic activities come to a halt. As a proximate neighbour with critical stakes in the security and stability of the region, these developments evoke great anxiety."

He stressed that the stakes are particularly high given the large Indian diaspora in the Gulf. Nearly one crore Indian citizens live and work across the region. "Their safety and well-being is of utmost priority. We cannot be impervious to any development that negatively affects them," Jaiswal added.

Beyond the diaspora, India's economic interests are deeply intertwined with the region. "Our trade and energy supply chains also traverse this geography. Any major disruption has serious consequences for the Indian economy," he said, adding that India is "firmly opposed to attacks on merchant shipping," especially as some Indian nationals have lost their lives or gone missing in recent days due to such incidents. Expressing grief over the mounting casualties, the spokesperson said, "Many lives have been regrettably lost and we express our grief in that regard."

The government said its diplomatic and consular machinery has been fully activated. Indian embassies and consulates are "in close touch with Indian nationals and community organisations". "They will continue to be proactive in addressing various consular aspects of this conflict," he said. At the highest political level, India is maintaining active engagement with the leaders in West Asia. PM Modi and External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar have held discussions with their counterparts in the region.

### Machinery activated

The Union government said that its diplomatic and consular machinery has been fully activated. Indian embassies and consulates in the affected countries are "in close touch with Indian nationals and community organisations, issuing regular advisories as appropriate and have extended assistance to those stranded

### PM, EAM in touch with counterparts

India is maintaining active engagement with the leaders in the West Asia region. PM Narendra Modi and the External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar have held discussions with their counterparts in the region

Thousands attend the funeral of people killed in what Iranian officials said was an Israeli-US strike on a girls' school at Minab in Iran on Tuesday | PTI

**Spoke with my brother, H.H. Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, the Amir of Qatar. We stand firmly in solidarity with Qatar and condemn any violation of its sovereignty and territorial integrity.**

Narendra Modi, PM

### PM DIALS LEADERS IN WEST ASIA

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday spoke to Sultan Haitham bin Tarik of Oman and Crown Prince of Kuwait Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Mubarak Al-Sabah, expressing concern over attacks on their countries

In his telephonic conversations with the leaders of Oman and Kuwait, the prime minister discussed the welfare and security of the Indian community

Over the last two days, Modi has spoken to the King of Bahrain and the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia. He condemned recent attacks on the two countries in violation of their sovereignty

Modi also spoke to the Amir of Qatar, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, condemning attacks on Qatar and thanking them

# 200 Indian students moved out of Tehran to 'safe' Qom

**S LALITHA** @ New Delhi

MORE than 200 Indian students from universities in Tehran were shifted by bus on Tuesday morning to the city of Qom, about 140 km south of the capital. The move comes amid escalating tensions following strikes on Iran by the United States and Israel.

Most of the students — many from Jammu and Kashmir — were enrolled at Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, and Iran University of Medical Sciences. A smaller number were engineering students.

Dr Mohammad Momin Khan, National Representative of the All India Medical Students Association, stated that it was the Indian Embassy in Tehran that had facilitated the relocation.

"The students were shifted in five buses and have reached Qom safely. Plans are underway to move other students from different parts of Iran," he said. Syed Fazil, an engineering student among those evacuated, said, "We feel safe now. We had been hearing blasts continuously in Tehran. We have reached Qom."

In a statement, the Association thanked the Embassy for its support. Airspace over Iran and several Gulf countries has remained closed since February 28.

Following Israeli bombing, debris of a police station in Tehran on Tuesday | PTI

# 'Very scary watching missiles flying overhead'

**S LALITHA** @ New Delhi

MUCH to the relief of the huge Indian diaspora in West Asia, Indian carriers transporting passengers from Dubai, Jeddah, Abu Dhabi and Muscat reached Terminal 3 of the Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) on Tuesday after a three-day gap in operations.

Additionally, another flight with 143 cockpit crew of Air India and Air India Express, who were stuck in different cities in the Gulf, also reached Delhi.

While Indian airlines have cancelled 1,221 overseas flights over the last three days and foreign carriers have cancelled 388 flights due to the raging crisis,

Passengers from Dubai, Jeddah, Abu Dhabi and Muscat reach Delhi | EXPRESS

the first flight by an Indian operator to reach India from West Asia was AI 916D from Dubai. Without any intimation regarding its arrival, the flight carrying 149 passengers reached Terminal 3 at 10.58 am.

A source said, "We mobilised all our resources promptly and utilised the opportunity to fly back stranded passengers from the Dubai International Airport at the earliest when we heard one flight could be sent." It comprised only Air India passengers who had booked tickets but could not travel earlier due to the raging crisis.

Passenger Mohamad Adil said, "There are no issues in Muscat as such. The atmosphere in Oman is totally peaceful." A passenger from Abu Dhabi said it was "a very scary experience watching missiles constantly being intercepted in the city. Another passenger seconded it stating that though the situation was quite frightening, they felt safe.

Passengers from Dubai told news agencies that they were relieved to return to India, particularly in light of the soaring living costs in Dubai after the crisis erupted. A passenger said, "The situation is quite normal; there's not much tension, but due to flight cancellations and other things, people are facing financial impacts. Staying there is very expensive. Air India guided us completely. The government there is providing as much help as it can."

Delhi airport had 80 international cancellations, of which 36 were departures.

### Dubai very expensive

"We had gone to Dubai as tourists. Our return was scheduled for February 28, and that's when all this happened, and our flight got cancelled," a passenger told this newspaper. He said living expenses in Dubai suddenly became very expensive.

# Why govt keeping mum on Khamenei, asks Cong

**PARVEZ SULTAN** @ New Delhi

THE Congress on Tuesday slammed the Centre for its "silence" over the killing of Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei in an attack carried out by the US and Israel.

Referring to the ongoing crisis in West Asia, LoP in the Lok Sabha and Congress MP Rahul Gandhi asked whether PM Narendra Modi endorses the assassination of Khamenei. "PM Modi must speak up. Does he support the assassination of a head of state as a way to define the world order? Silence now diminishes India's standing in the world," he posted on X.

Expressing his concern over the situation, the Congress leader said escalating hostilities between the US, Israel, and Iran are pushing a fragile region towards a wider conflict. He said strikes launched by both sides must be denounced.

"Crores of people, including nearly a crore Indians, face uncertainty.... While security concerns are real, attacks that violate sovereignty will only worsen the crisis. The unilateral attacks on Iran, as well as Iran's attacks on other West Asian nations, must be condemned. Violence begets violence—dialogue and restraint remain the only path to peace," he said.

Taking a dig at the government, Gandhi said, "Our foreign policy is rooted in sovereignty and the peaceful resolution of disputes—and it must remain consistent."

# Speaker nominates 15 members to privileges panel, with Prasad as chair

**RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR** @ New Delhi

LOK Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Tuesday nominated the serving members of the House's 15-member Committee of Privileges with immediate effect. Former Union Law Minister & current BJP MP Ravi Shankar Prasad has been appointed as the committee's chair.

But soon after his nomination was announced, Congress MP Manickam Tagore said on X that he would not be attending the panel's meetings as he is currently suspended. "I'm suspended. I can't attend the committee meeting," he wrote.

*TNIE* reported on Feb 19, 2026

**On February 19, 2026, this newspaper was first to report there had been no privileges or ethics panel in the Lok Sabha for two years.**

The committee is responsible for examining matters concerning alleged breaches of parliamentary privilege. Following deliberations, it recommends appropriate action against any member found responsible for such breaches. Some other nominated members include Brijmohan Agarwal (BJP), Tariq Anwar (Congress), TR Baalu (DMK), Kalyana Banerjee (TMC), and Shrirang Appa Chandu Barne (Shiv Sena).

The committee functions as a safeguard of the privileges of MPs. It considers complaints regarding alleged breaches referred to it either by the House or by the Speaker. The panel examines each case to determine whether a breach has occurred and submits its findings and recommendations.

# Fake trading apps drive 70% of online frauds

**MUKESH RANJAN** @ New Delhi

DATA compiled by the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) under the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has revealed a significant shift in the tactics of cybercriminals, with fake trading applications and websites emerging as the primary tools used to defraud unsuspecting investors. The analysis also showed that Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, and Rajasthan have become major hubs for mule bank accounts used to siphon off illicit funds.

According to officials familiar with the development, nearly 70% of total financial losses from cybercrime are now linked to fraudulent trading and investment platforms. In contrast, cases involving so-called "digital arrests," where fraudsters impersonate law enforcement officials to extort money, have witnessed a decline, they added.

Fake trading apps and websites are the main fraud tools
WEB OF CRIME
DIGITAL ARREST SCAMS ARE DECLINING
70% of cybercrime losses come from fake trading/ investment platforms
53% of fraud proceeds exit via cheques or e-commerce
MAHARASHTRA, UP, RAJASTHAN ARE HUBS FOR MULE BANK ACCOUNTS

A senior official said that a year-long analysis by the I4C indicated that cybercriminals are increasingly exploiting people's aspirations of quick financial gains through share market-linked schemes.

"Greed and fear are two of the emotions fraudsters play on. Sustained awareness campaigns have led to a reduction in digital arrest cases. However, fake trading apps and websites connected to stock market investments have become the new modus operandi," he said.

To counter the growing threat, the MHA has operationalised the Cyber Fraud Mitigation Centre (CFMC), bringing multiple stakeholders under one roof to strengthen coordination and response. Police personnel from 16 states and Union Territories (UTs) are currently stationed at the centre, working collectively to track complaints lodged by victims and initiate swift action. More states and UTs are expected to join the initiative in the coming days.

**LIFER FOR MURDER**

A court in Maharashtra's Thane district has sentenced a 32-year-old woman and her aide to life imprisonment for brutally murdering her live-in partner and dumping his body in a creek.

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# BJP names 9 candidates for RS polls, Nabin to contest from Bihar

List includes leaders with organisational influence; party chief to be leader of Upper House

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE BJP's Central Election Committee on Tuesday announced nine candidates for the forthcoming biennial Rajya Sabha elections, including its President, Nitin Nabin.

Nabin, currently an MLA from Bankipur in Patna, is expected to move to the Upper House and take over as Leader of the House, succeeding JP Nadda. His transition from state legislator to national president and now to the upper House of parliament is viewed as an endorsement of his organisational leadership.

The list features senior leaders with significant organisational influence, and reflects the BJP's continued emphasis on social engineering across states: former West Bengal BJP chief Rahul Sinha, Chhattisgarh party vice-president Laxmi Verma, Assam PWD Minister Jogen Mohan and MLA Terash Gowalla. From Odisha, the candidates are state president Manmohan Samal and leader Sujeet Kumar.

The party is ensuring representation across caste groups, including Dalits and General categories, particularly in the state of Bihar.

In Bihar, the BJP has nominated Shivesh Kumar, a former MLA and current state general secretary, regarded as a prominent Dalit face. He had unsuccessfully contested the Sasaram Lok Sabha seat in 2024. Former Lok Sabha MP Sanjay Bhatia is set to be elected from Haryana. Bihar BJP president Sanjay Saraogi confirmed that both Nabin and Shivesh Kumar will file nominations on March 5, a day after Holi.

NDA ally Rashtriya Lok Morcha has nominated its president, Upendra Kushwaha, for the Rajya Sabha. A former Union minister, Kushwaha, had lost the Karakat Lok Sabha seat in 2024. He was earlier elected to the Upper House after BJP leader Vivek Thakur moved to the Lok Sabha from Nawada and is now set to begin a second term.

### Social engineering strategy in focus

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## Nitish son may join JD(U) amid RS nominations

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

JANATA Dal (United) on Tuesday confirmed that chief minister Nitish Kumar's son Nishant would enter politics. He is also likely to be nominated as JD(U) candidate for Rajya Sabha elections to be held on March 16.

JD(U) leader and state minister Shravan Kumar said that Nishant's entry into active politics has been finalised. Kumar, considered close to CM Nitish, said, "On the occasion of Holi, and as per demand of demand of youth of Bihar and JD(U) workers, Nishant is coming full-fledged to join party."

He said that the party will decide what responsibility he (Nishant) will be given in the organisation. "But one thing I am telling you, he is going to be given big responsibility. We are very happy," he said, adding that the party has decided to allow him to take part in active politics. He said that this will put an end to all speculation about his possible entry into active politics. The path for his entry has been cleared, he asserted.

Elections for five Rajya Sabha seats from Bihar are scheduled for March 16. With 89 MLAs in the 243-member Assembly, the BJP has the strength to secure two seats. Of the remaining seats, two are being contested by the Janata Dal (United).

Speculation persists that Chief Minister Nitish Kumar may nominate his son, Nishant Kumar. The second seat is likely to be retained by incumbent MP Ramnath Thakur, a Union minister and son of Bharat Ratna awardee Karpoori Thakur. The JD(U) has reportedly decided not to renominate Harivansh Narayan Singh, who has served as Deputy Chairman of the Rajya Sabha since 2020.

## April deadline set for SIR in J'khand, exercise to be completed in 100 days

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

THE special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls is set to start in Jharkhand in April, with a target of 100 days to completion the exercise.

The state's Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), K Ravi Kumar, said that a meeting of all district officials has been called on March 11 to make preparations for the process.

"The special intensive revision of voter lists in Jharkhand will begin in April. Nearly 73% of the state's voters have already been verified prior to the launch of the SIR exercise; 19,430,429 of the 26,562,300 voters in Jharkhand have already been verified," the state's top poll official told reporters.

"The SIR will be completed within 100 days of the issuance of the notification. Some states demand more time, but this will not be the case in Jharkhand. The entire SIR process will be completed within 90 to 100 days in Jharkhand," the poll official said.

He added that Election Commission (EC) has directed the state to make preparations for the electoral rolls revision.

CEO Kumar further informed reporters that a state-level meeting regarding the SIR exercise has been scheduled for March 11. "The primary objective of this meeting is to complete pre-revision activities so that all remaining deficiencies can be rectified and all arrangements are put in place before the SIR begins this month. Electoral officers from all districts will participate in the meeting," the CEO said.

Following instructions of the Election Commission, the Jharkhand Chief Electoral Officer's office conducted voter verification based on the 2003 electoral list. This includes over 1.2 million voters who have moved out, died, or are registered in more than one place.

### State-level meet of electoral officers on March 11

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## KOLKATA DIARY

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### Pink booths in city for women's safety

CM Mamata Banerjee on February 28 launched all-women police booths and a women's mobile patrol team to strengthen women's safety and security in the city. The services are aimed at aiding working women, especially those travelling at night after work. It will be run by the women's wing of the Kolkata Police. Kolkata Police is launching two more initiatives. First, several all-women pink booths at key city intersections will be commissioned and be operational from evening to midnight. "Second, several 'SHINING' (as I have named them) all-women mobile patrol teams will be on duty from 8pm to 2am, patrolling EM Bypass and other major city roads, Mamata wrote on X.

### Charging stations for police vehicles

The Kolkata Police has decided to set up 25 charging stations for police vehicles across the city at the cost of ₹ 2.5 crore. This would expand EV charging infrastructure across five police stations along with battalion and divisional police facilities as part of its effort to promote the modernisation of police vehicles, cleaner mobility within public services and austerity measures. Sources at Lalbazar, KP HQ, said that it has floated a tender in connection with selections of lowest bidders for setting up of the charging stations. Under the initiative, 25 fast-charging stations are proposed to be set up at police stations, battalions and other operational facilities.

### Tea garden reopens after four die in accident

Two days after four women workers of the Bharnobari tea estate, located in Hasimara under Kalchini block of Alipurduar district in north Bengal, died in a road accident on their way to another tea estate for work as casual labourers, the garden reopened on Monday. Located more than around 50 km from Alipurduar town, the reopening has brought relief and joy to its nearly 700 workers on the eve of the Holi festival. On February 28, some women workers were cycling along NH48 to work at another tea garden. A car headed towards Jaigaon rammed the cyclists, killing four on the spot and injuring three others.

## TMC rakes up old CBI probe against CEO kin

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

THE face-off between the West Bengal CEO Manoj Agarwal and the ruling Trinamool Congress escalated ahead of the upcoming Assembly elections.

Citing a 2013 inquiry in connection with alleged disproportionate properties and several back accounts of his wife and father-in-law, the ruling Trinamool Congress leadership made scathing attacks on Agarwal.

This comes in the wake of the Election Commission of India (ECI) deleting around 64 lakh absentee, shifted, dead, and duplicate voters from the final post- SIR electoral rolls.

Chandrima Bhattacharya, a minister in Mamata Banerjee cabinet, on Monday night posted on X, "Manoj Agarwal @ CEOWest Bengal warns officers about 'Lakshman Rekha'. But where was this moral sermon when, as per a CBI charge sheet, nearly 30 bank accounts and six plots worth crores were allegedly linked to your wife?"

She cited a news report of 2013 in connection with the CBI chargesheet. Sharply reacting to the allegations, Agarwal wrote on an X post, "The chargesheet culminated in an honourable acquittal by the Learned Special Judge."

## Tension in Raj town after cow vigilantes kill man as family, cops trade charges

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE death of a young man during a clash between alleged cow smugglers and cow vigilantes has sparked off tension in Rajasthan's Bhiwadi town, prompting deployment of additional police forces on Tuesday as a precautionary measure.

The family of the deceased alleged that he was shot dead by workers of Bajrang Dal workers. Police said the exact cause of death will be confirmed after a thorough investigation. According to Bhiwadi DSP Kailash Choudhary, a pickup truck loaded with cattle was chased by a group of people. "A confrontation soon took place near Sare Kala village. Stone-pelting reportedly broke out between the two sides during the clash.

A young man, Aamir, a resident of Utawad village in Haryana, sustained critical injuries. He was taken to Bhiwadi hospital, where doctors declared him dead," Choudhary said. The family of the deceased has denied involvement of Aamir in cow smuggling, claiming he was merely standing by the roadside when the violence erupted. "He was killed in cold blood," Aamir's uncle Yahya Khan alleged. Police confirmed that a case has been registered on the family's complaint and investigations are ongoing.

After an autopsy, the body was handed over to the family. A number of the deceased's relatives and villagers staged a protest at the Chaupanki police station. In view of the tense situation, senior police officers, including superintendent of police Prashant Kiran, reached the spot and brought the situation under control.

### Mewat becomes hotbed

The Mewat region of Rajasthan, which includes Alwar, Khairthal-Tijara and Bhiwadi, has witnessed several incidents of violence linked to allegations of cow smuggling over the past decade. The 2017 killing of Pehlu Khan in Alwar drew outrage. In 2018, Rakbar Khan was allegedly lynched in the district.

## Mission '27: Modi & Shah for Haridwar to sound poll bugle

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah will separately visit the holy city of Haridwar this month, which experts say will mark an unofficial launch of the BJP's campaign for the 2027 Assembly elections in Uttarakhand.

Though the visits are officially centred around the 2027 Ardh Kumbh Haridwar and the fourth anniversary of the Pushkar Singh Dhami government, political observers view them as strategically significant ahead of the polls.

Shah is scheduled to arrive in Haridwar on March 7. His itinerary includes a major cooperative conference at the Bairagi camp and a review of the Ardh Kumbh preparations. Modi is expected to visit the city on March 23. Chief Minister Dhami recently announced that the Centre has sanctioned a budget of ₹500 crore for the Ardh Kumbh. "The event will be organised in a grand, divine, and time-bound manner," Dhami said after a review meeting. "The Home Minister will inspect the sites and take feedback from officials to ensure a seamless experience for pilgrims," he said.

Beyond the Ardh Kumbh preparations, the choice of Haridwar is strategic. In the previous Assembly elections, the BJP faced setbacks in the district, losing key seats, such as Haridwar Rural, Khanpur, Manglaur, and Piran Kaliyar. BJP sources indicate that Shah will chair a core committee meeting involving senior leaders, including former CMs Vijay Bahuguna and Tirath Singh Rawat. "The agenda is expected to focus on reclaiming lost ground," a source said. BJP statepresident Mahendra Bhatt confirmed the political significance of the visit. "The meeting chaired by Amit Shah will review poll preparations. We are looking to solidify our strategy," Bhatt said.

The Opposition called the visits a "diversionary tactic". Speaking to this newspaper, former CM and senior Congress leader Harish Rawat labelled the events as a political stunt. "The atmosphere being created in the state is a matter of concern," Rawat said. "If the Home Minister comes to a holy city like Haridwar to discuss genuine development, he is welcome. But misleading politics is not right. The public has already made up their mind for change, even if the BJP sends the entire Central cabinet to Uttarakhand," he said.

## From Gujarat school dropout to dairy trailblazer

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

IN the tribal village of Vaheval in Mahuva taluka of Surat district in Gujarat, a school dropout rewrote India's dairy story and, in doing so, turned himself into a legend.

At 63, Deepak Patel has achieved what experts once thought nearly impossible: an 80 percent artificial insemination conception rate in cattle — the highest recorded in the country. In a sector where the national average hovers between 35 and 40 percent, his numbers redefine the benchmark.

Just last week, when a farmer urgently called him for insemination, Deepak examined the cow and calmly asked the farmer to wait. "Not the right time," he said. Hours later, he returned. That precision — knowing the exact biological window — is the science behind his success. In artificial insemination, timing is everything. And Deepak rarely gets it wrong.

His journey began in 1999 when Surat District Co-operative Milk Producers' Union Ltd, popularly known as Sumul Dairy, recognised his rare skill and appointed him an AI technician. Since then, he has delivered results that dairy scientists now call extraordinary.

Every year, Sumul Dairy conducts nearly five lakh AI procedures across Surat and Tapi districts, maintaining an average conception rate of 53 percent. Yet among hundreds of technicians, Deepak's success rate makes him both an outlier and an inspiration.

Former Managing Director Dr P R Pandey says the union spotted his talent early and backed him. The impact is visible on the ground. In Mahuva taluka, where Deepak works, crossbred cows produce an average of 11.2 litres of milk per day — far above Gujarat's 8.05 litres and India's 7.4 litres.

Higher conception rates mean more calves, shorter calving intervals, more lactating animals and ultimately, more milk in farmers' cans. If eight out of ten buffaloes conceive instead of four or five, incomes simply double.

His work has improved breed quality, reduced reproductive costs and strengthened financial stability for hundreds of small farmers. Sumul Dairy is part of the powerful cooperative network under Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation Limited, which markets products under the iconic Amul brand. Today, Deepak's impact flows through that vast dairy supply chain — from village cowsheds to national markets.

His life and work are chronicled in The Miracle Boy Deepak Patel by Dr Pandey and Shashwat Adhvaryu. A documentary titled Safal Bijdan has been produced by the National Dairy Development Board to train AI technicians across India using his methods. Deepak Patel has since been honoured at state and national levels and has been felicitated by Union Cooperation Minister Amit Shah—a rare acknowledgement for a grassroots technician whose laboratory is a cowshed.

## 12 candidates booked for fraud in MP excise dept recruitment exam

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

AN alleged recruitment examination fraud has surfaced in Madhya Pradesh in the MP Excise Constable Recruitment Test 2024, conducted by the state Employee Selection Board (ESB) at a centre in Ratlam.

Before declaring the results of the online examination on February 5, 2026, the ESB analysed the performance data of candidates who had secured unusually high marks. The scrutiny identified 12 candidates with exceptionally high scores, though many of these had recorded comparatively low marks in the earlier MP State Police Recruitment Test.

Acting on its internal findings, ESB principal system analyst Pranit Sijaria lodged a cheating case at MP Nagar Police Station in Bhopal against the 12 candidates. Nine of them are from the Bhind and Morena districts of the Gwalior-Chambal region, two are from Haryana, and one is from Agra in Uttar Pradesh. The case has since been transferred to Ratlam district police, as the alleged irregularities occurred at the examination centre there.

CCTV footage from computer labs at the Ratlam centre, where exams were conducted between September 9 and September 15, 2025, indicated that the candidates appeared to have received help from someone.

The ESB's internal analysis found that computer monitors allotted to all 12 candidates were replaced minutes before they entered their respective labs. Time-based scrutiny further revealed that many of them rapidly scrolled through the entire question paper within the first 10 to 15 minutes without attempting answers. After a prolonged period of inactivity, the same candidates displayed an extraordinary surge in correct responses during the final segment of the examination, a pattern flagged by the Board's system as "High Strike Rate" anomalies.

Despite a two-hour time limit, some candidates reportedly solved as total of 100 questions within 15 to 20 minutes and remained seated idle thereafter. The ESB report pointed to possible screen manipulation, external answer relay or insider facilitation behind the suspected fraud.

### 'COMMON HAND'

1. Candidates appeared to have received help, possibly from a common individual
2. Computer monitors for 12 candidates were replaced before they entered labs

## Office of the Prl. District & Sessions Judge, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru

No. Accts./44/2025 (Cleaning Persons) Date: 02.03.2026

**e-Tender Notification**

This office invites e-bidding Request for Proposals through e-procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/Auctions/live** from eligible Manpower Service providers/Housekeeping Agencies/Firms for providing cleaning services by deploying persons through Outsource on Service Contract basis for cleaning purpose in all the Court complexes of Bengaluru Rural District Unit on the basis of area of the premises i.e., 38,062.96 Sq.m in total for a period of 01 year. The period of cleaning services may be extended for two more years (Total 3 years), renewable each year, subject to the satisfactory work quality / performance or until order of discontinuation of the said services. Tender Number (as issued by KPPP): HCK/2025-26/SE0127/CALL-03 Estimated Approx. Total Tender Cost: No estimation drawn, as no such reference to calculate for the said services is found. **Rs. 50,00,000/-** is taken as Nominal Estimated Tender Cost to be shown for KPP website requirement only. EMD Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** (Nominal EMD with no link to Tender estimation cost) PBG will be based on the Tender awarded value. Last date for clarifications: **07.03.2026 at 5.00 PM.** Pre-Bid Meeting date & place: **07.03.2026 at 5.00 PM at the above office.** Last date and time for submission of Tender Proposal: **12.03.2026 up to 3.00 PM.** Date and time of opening the Tender: **Technical Bid: 13.03.2026 at 3.01 PM. Financial Bid:** Upon approval of Technical Bid. For further details contact: Phone No.: 080-22939382. **E-mail: bngrur002@gmail.com**

**Sd/- Chief Administrative Officer, District & Sessions Court, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru**

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### DEMAND NOTICE U/S 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002

All of you the undermentioned borrowers/ guarantors/ mortgagors are hereby informed that the Bank has initiated proceedings against you under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 in A/c of our **BO : JP Nagar (159400)** and that the notice under Sec. 13(2) of the Act sent to you by **Speed Post / Registered A.D** has returned undelivered. Hence all of you are hereby called upon to take notice and pay the outstanding loan amount mentioned below against each borrower/ mortgagors with interest accruing therefrom within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the Bank will proceed against you by exercising its right under Sub Sec. (4) of Section 13 of the Act by enforcing the below mentioned security to realize its dues with interests and costs. It is needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Bank. Please take notice that in terms of section 13(13) of the said Act, you shall not, after receipt of this notice, transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of business) any of the secured assets referred above, without prior written consent of the Bank. You are also put on notice that any contravention of this statutory injunction/restraint, as provided under the said Act, is an offence. Your attention is hereby invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act in respect of time available to you to redeem the secured assets.

**Account Number, Name and Address of Borrower, Guarantor, Mortgagors & Amount Outstanding**

**Borrower : Sri Umesh Gurjar and Smt. Priya Chiplunkar,** H. No. 779, Ground Floor, Sri Balaji Nivas, 16th Main, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560070.

| Nature of Facility | Outstanding inclusive of interest as on date of NPA i.e. 29.12.2025 |
|---|---|
| Term Loan(s) | Rs. 8,20,146.44 |
| Total Amount in Rs. | Rs. 8,20,146.44 |

**Therefore, the Bank hereby calls upon you u/s 13(2) of the said Act by issuing this notice to discharge in full your Liabilities stated hereunder to the Bank within 60 days from the date of this notice. Your outstanding liabilities (in aggregate) due and owing to the Banks is the sum of Rs. 8,20,146.44/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Twenty Thousand One Hundred and Forty Six rupees forty four paise only) as on 13.01.2026. You are also liable to pay future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.**

**Description of the Secured Assets : (Equitable Mortgage of Immovable properties)**

EM of Property/House bearing Site No. 15, Katha No. 105, situated at Hongasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, formed in sy no. 105of the said village, now comes under the purview of BBMP, Bomanahalli, Bangalore with total site measuring 750.00 sq ft and construction thereon G+2+Tarrace, total 2360.00 sq ft.

**Date of Notice : 13.01.2026 - Date of NPA : 29.12.2025**

**Place : Bangalore**
**Date : 03.03.2026**

**For Punjab National Bank**
**Chief Manager / Authorised Officer**

## केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government of India Undertaking)

**Canara Bank, ARM Branch I**

**2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001.**

**SALE NOTICE**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM Branch-1, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **25.03.2026 (10:30 AM to 11:30 AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 1,90,80,182.92/-** (Rupees One Crore Ninety Lakhs Eighty Thousand One Hundred Eighty Two and Ninety Two paise Only) as on 02.03.2026 with further interest and cost thereon due to the ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from **1. Mr. Mansoor,** C/o. Shabbir Bldg. 21/1, Flat 302, White House Apar Coles Road, VTC BNG North, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560005. **2) Mrs. Rana Tabassum,** C/o. Mansoor, 21/1, 302, White House Apt, Coles Road, VTC Fraser Town, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560005.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **24.03.2026, 5.00 pm.** **(Rs. in Lakh)**

| Lot | Description of the immovable/ movable assets | Reserve Price (In Lakhs) | EMD (In Lakhs) | Incremental value (In Lakhs) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Schedule "A" Property : Description of Entire property :** All that part and parcel of Immovable Property being contiguous parcels of land bearing Sy. No. 14, Block-3, measuring 9 guntas and Sy. No. 14, Block-4, measuring 10 guntas, totally measuring 19 guntas, situated at Doddagubbi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and **bounded on the : Block No. 3 (Measuring 9 Guntas) : East by :** Remaining land in Sy. No. 14, Block-4, **West by :** Remaining land in Sy. No. 14, **North by :** Remaining land in Sy. No. 14 and Sy. No. 117, **South by :** Border of Kyalasanahalli Village. **Block No. 4 (Measuring 10 Guntas) : East by :** Remaining land in Sy. No. 14, Block-4, **West by :** Remaining land in Sy. No. 14, Block-3, **North by :** Remaining land in Sy. No. 14 and Sy. No. 117, **South by :** Land in Sy. No. 14 remaining road (Present Road). **Schedule "B" Property :** 3.143/100 or 665 Sq. ft., of undivided share, right title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule "C" Property : Description of Mortgaged property :** All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property being a residential apartment unit bearing No. 104 with PID No. 150200401100320766 having a super bult up area of 1178 Sq. ft., situated on the Ground Floor of Multi storied residential apartment known as "Romaa Regecy", constructed on schedule 'A' property, together with right to us the common areas, utilities and facilities and right to use one car parking space in the stilt floor, bounded on the : **East by :** Unit No. 105 of Romma Regency Apartment, **West by :** Unit No. 103 of Romaa Regency Apartment, **North by :** Passage and compound wall of Romaa Regency, **South by :** Drive way and compound wall of Romaa Regency | 68.60 | 6.86 | 1.00 |
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**Known encumbrances, if any:** Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or **E-Wallet of M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, **Canara Bank, Ph. No. 9483544116, 9966397756** during office hours on any working day.

**Date: 03.03.2026**
**Place: Bangalore**

**Sd/- Authorised Offier**
**Canara Bank**

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### POSSESSION NOTICE

APPENDIX IV - Rule 8 (1) 13(4) (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda, ROSARB Regional Office Bengaluru Central, Bengaluru,** under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **09.12.2025** calling upon the **Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors/ Guarantors, 1) M/s. Manoj Chicken and Egg Centre,** No.51, 2nd Main, 8th Cross, Someshwara Nagar, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064, Represented by its Proprietrix, Smt. Rashmi. R. K. W/o. Sri. Muniraju. N, **2) Sri. Muniraju. N, S/o.** Sri. Nanjundappa, No.51, 2nd Main, 8th Cross, Someshwara Nagar, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064 **and 3) Sri. Appaiah. S,** S/o. Sri. Sanjeevappa, No.1080, L.I.G, 2nd Stage, 15th "B" Cross, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.1,94,77,089.81 Paisa** (Rupees One Crore Ninety Four Lakhs Seventy Seven Thousand and Eighty Nine and Paisa Eighty One only) as on **08.12.2025** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **03rd March 2026.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for an amount **Rs.1,94,77,089.81** Paisa (Rupees One Crore Ninety Four Lakhs Seventy Seven Thousand and Eighty Nine and Paisa Eighty One only) **as on 08.12.2025,** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

**Schedule Property :**

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property being the Site bearing No.51, Khatha No.722/216/51, New BBMP Khatha No.1483/316/314/300/216/51, situated at Chikkabommasandra Village, Yelahanka Upanagara, New BBMP Ward No.4, Bengaluru-560064, measuring East to West 60 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, in all measuring 2,400 Square Feet, alongwith the construction standing thereon and bounded on the: East by : Site No.62, West by : Road, North by: Site No.8, South by: Site No.52.

**Date : 03.03.2026**
**Place : Bengaluru**

**Sd/- Authorised Officer**
**Bank of Baroda**

### E-AUCTION NOTICE

**M/s. Welworth Software Private Limited (In Liquidation)**

**Regd. Address of CD:** ROCKLINE CENTRE, No. 54, 3rd Floor, Richmond Road, Bangalore Bangalore KA 560025.

**Liquidator Narayana Kamma**

Liquidator's Registered address: E 1807, Brigade Gateway, 26/1, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Malleshwaram (West) Bangalore.

**Liquidator's Communication address :** E 1807, Brigade Gateway, 26/1, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Malleshwaram (West) Bangalore 560055. Mail Id liquidator.welworth@gmail.com

Sale of assets of the Company under Regulation 32A read with 32 (e) of IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016.

**Last date for Submission of Bid Declaration Form, Bid Application Form along with Affidavit cum Undertaking, Confidentiality undertaking and KYC by the bidder 19th March 2026.**

**Date of E-Auction: 6th April 2026 (with unlimited extension of 5 minutes each)**

Sale of assets of the Company namely M/s. Welworth Software Private Limited (InLiquidation) in possession of the Liquidator appointed by the Hon. National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) Bengaluru Bench vide order dated 30.11.2022. The sale of Company will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

| S. No. | Particulars | Reserve Price – Rs. | EMD – Rs. | Incremental Bid Amount.- Rs. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sale of the Security and Financial assets of the Corporate the details of the assets are described in "Asset Sale -Cum-E-Auction Process Information Document" made available at website - support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com Or can be obtained through an email to liquidator.welworth@gmail.comfrom liquidator. | 4,37,27,000/- | 43,72,700/- | 50,000/- |
| 2 | Sale of the fixed assets of the Corporate the details of the assets are described in "Asset Sale -Cum-E-Auction Process Information Document" made available at website - support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com Or can be obtained through an email to liquidator.welworth@gmail.com from liquidator. | 45,00,000/- | 4,50,000/- | 50,000/- |

**Notes to Auction Process:**

* It is abundantly clarified that assets are sold on **"as is where is basis", "as is what is basis", "whatever there is basis"** and **"no recourse basis"**as on the handover date.
* The proposed sale of Assets of the Company does not entail transfer of any title except the title which the Company had on its Assets as on date of transfer. Whilst it is not the intention to transfer any liabilities associated with the Assets, the prospective bidders are advised to ascertain all statutory liabilities/taxes/ demands/claims/charges etc., outstanding as of the date or yet to fall due in respect of relevant Asset.
* This notice shall be read in conjunction with the "Asset Sale -Cum-E-Auction Process Information Document" containing details of the Assets, Bid Application, Affidavit and Undertaking, Technical Terms & Conditions which are available on the website support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com. or can be obtained through an email to liquidator.welworth@gmail.com from liquidator.
* **Disclaimer:**This advertisement purports to ascertain the interest of Bidders and does not create any kind of bidding obligation on the part of the Liquidator. The Liquidator reserves the right to amend and/or annul this invitation including any timelines or the process involved herein, without giving reasons, at any time, and in any respect.

**Date: 04.03.2026**
**Place: Bengaluru**

**Narayana Kamma**
**Liquidator**
**M/s Welworth Software Pvt. Ltd.,**
**IBBI Regn. No.IBBI/IPA-002/IP-N01072/2020-2021/13429**

## KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGCO25521)

**No.EEE/KPD/AE-1/2025-26/556** **Date: 21.02.2026**

### NOTIFICATION

KPTCL had formulated a scheme under section 28 and clause (e) of section 18 of the Indian Electricity Supply Act 1948 and the scheme is herewith published in pursuance of section 29(2) of the said act and also under Indian Electricity Act 2003 section 67 to be read with 67(2), this notification is issued for information of the General public. Particulars of scheme are as here under.

**1. Name of the work**: Construction of 2x12.5MVA, 66/11kV sub-station at Kalathmadu village Survey no. 156 & construction of proposed 66kV LILO Line on DC towers from existing 66kV Virajpete-Ponnampete SC Line to the proposed 66/11kV Kalathmadu sub-station for a distance of 1.925Kms in Virajpete Taluk, Kodagu district. **Salient Feature:** Reliability in power supply and to meet future load growth in and around Kalathmadu & adjacent villages. **Areas Passing Through:** The Proposed Line passes through Kodagu district, Ponnampete taluk, Attur Village Survey no's. 145,147/1, 147/2, 135, 133, 166, 116 & Kaikeri Village Survey No. 182 & Virajpete Taluk, Kalathmadu Village survey no's. 167/1, 166/1, 166/2, 166/3, 166/4, 160/2, 160/1, 161, 155/3, 155, 155/4, 156, 130/11, 159 and other adjacent survey no's along the 9mtr Corridor on both side from the centre of the line (18mtr Corridor width). **Approximate Length Line:** 1.925KMS. **Approximate Cost:** 2400.02 Lakhs.

**2. Name of the Work**: Construction of 2x20MVA, 66/11kV Kudige sub-station at Basavanthuru village Survey no. 5/1 & construction of proposed 66kV LILO Line on DC towers from existing 66kV Kushalanagara- EDCIL SC Line to the proposed 66/11kV Kudige sub-station for a distance of 0.826 Kms in Kushalanagara Taluk, Kodagu district. **Salient Feature:** Reliability in power supply and to meet future load growth in and around Kudige (Basavnathuru) & adjacent villages. **Areas Passing Through:** The Proposed Line passes through Kodagu district, Kushalanagara taluk, Malenahalli Village Survey no's 119 and 123 and Basavanathuru Village Survey no's. 1/2, 11/7 and 5/3 and other adjacent survey no's along the 9mtr Corridor on both side from the centre of the line (18mtr Corridor width). **Approximate Length Line:** 0.826 KMS. **Approximate Cost:** 2091.50 Lakhs.

**3. Name of the Work**: Construction of 1x12.5MVA, 66/11kV sub-station at Padakallu (Bhagamandala) village Survey no. 61/3 & construction of proposed LILO on DC towers from 66/11kV Murnadu Sub-station to the proposed 66/11kV Padakallu (Bhagamandala) sub-station for a distance of 24.141Kms in Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu district. **Salient Feature:** Reliability in power supply and to meet future load growth in and around Kalathmadu & adjacent villages. **Areas Passing Through.:** The Proposed Line passes through Kodagu district, Madikeri taluk, Kodamburu Village Survey no's. 128, 127, 74/2, 78/2, 78/1, 63/3, 58/2, 60/1, 60/2 & Hodduru Village Survey no's. 71, 72, 91 90, 92, 97, 36/3, 36/6, 38, 36, 37, 16, 26/1, 19, 21 & Hodhavada Village Survey no's. 181, 183, 184/1, 177, 178, 179, 5 and Kumbaladhalu Village Survey No. 8 and Paluru Village Survey no's. 118, 121/2, 125/2, 125/7, 125/1, 45/5, 167, 145, 163/2, 144/2, 145/1, 146, 147, 150/3, 150/5 and Kadiyatthuru Village Survey no's. 184, 181, 36/14, 178, 192, 165, 169, 137, 134/1, 116, 118/3, 119, 70, 69, 66, 63 and Aivatthoklu Village Survey no's. 34/2, 177/1, 183/2, 188, 184/2, 189, 196, 169/2, 168/1, 167/2, 150/1 and Benguru Village Survey no's. 168, 161, 162, 167, 140, 136, 135, 134, 52, 186/2, 185/1, 48, 33, 43/2, 43/1, 37, 38 and B.Badaga Village Survey no's. 182, 178, 70, 74, 82, 86, 87, 89/11, 45, 13, 12/2, 16, 3, 1/1 and Berandetti Village Survey no's. 5, 3, 15, 14, 16, 17, 49, 32, 33 , 50, 30 and Singatur Village Survey no's. 72, 70, 71/3, 107, 99/1, 153/1 and Padakallu Village Survey no's. 152, 103, 107/1, 107/2 , 121/18, 110,121/1, 112, 121/3, 113, 64, 61/2, 61/3 and other adjacent survey no's along the 9mtr Corridor on both side from the centre of the line (18mtr Corridor width). **Approximate Length Line:** 24.141 KMS. **Approximate Cost:** 4044.55 Lakhs.

**4. Name of the Work**: Construction of 1x12.5MVA, 66/11kV and 2x12.5MVA, 66/33kV sub-station at Katakeri village Survey no. 107/44 & construction of proposed 66kV LILO Line on DC towers from existing 66kV Madikeri-Virajpete SC Line to the proposed 66/33/11kV Katakeri sub-station for a distance of 4.765 Kms in Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu district. **Salient Feature :** Reliability in power supply and to meet future load growth in and around Katakeri & adjacent villages. **Areas Passing Through.:** The Proposed Line passes through Kodagu district, Madikeri taluk, Kaggodlu Village Survey no's. 30, 79, Mekeri Village Survey no's. 182/1, 182/2, 214/2, 216/1, 207, 206, 198, 199/2, 200, 8/4, 8/2, 2/1, 3 Katakeri Village Survey no's. 304/7, 303/8, 303/1, 281/2, 295, 302, 118/2, 118/3, 303/7, 298, 115/1, 300, 114, 100, 113 and other adjacent survey no's along the 9mtr Corridor on both side from the centre of the line (18mtr Corridor width. **Approximate Length Line:** 4.765 KMS. **Approximate Cost:** 3224.82.

KPTCL shall have and exercise all powers under the section 164 of Indian Electricity Act 2003 read with para (iii) of the Indian Telegraph act 1885 (10 to 19 & 19A of 1885) for implementation of the above said scheme. Any objection regarding the above scheme shall be sent to the undersigned office within **one month** from the date of Publication of this notification for consideration by Corporation.

**Sd/-, Executive Engineer, (Elecl.,)**
Projects, Kodagu Division, 220KV Receiving Station,
Kushalnagara, Kodagu-571234.

## Indian Overseas Bank
**RESIDENCY ROAD BRANCH**

Phone : 080-22950270, Email: iob0268@iob.in

NO. 2, Janardhan Tower, Ground Floor, Gen Kariappa Road, Residency Road, Bangalore 560025.

**DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWERS/MORTGAGORS/ GUARANTORS UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002**

**To**

**Sl. no Borrowers: 1. Mrs. Veena A W/o Mr. Raghavendra B SNo. 25, Vijayasri Ananda BhawanVirupakshpuram Kokigehalli,Bangalore – 560097. 2. Mr. Raghavendra B SS/o Late Mr. B K SrinivasamurthyNo. 25, Vijayasri Ananda BhawanVirupakshpuram Kokigehalli,Bangalore – 560097.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re.: Your Credit Facilities with Indian Overseas Bank, Residency Road Branch**

3). You, the above-named borrowers of our Bank have availed the following credit facilities from our **Residency Road Branch**. The details of the credit facilities with outstanding dues are as under:

| Nature of facility | LimitRs. | Rate of Interest % +2.00% penal interest | Total Dues as on 02.03.2026 (in Rs.) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Housing Loan Under Subhagruha Scheme 026803464000022 | Rs. 64,49,000.00 (Rupees Sixty Four Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Only) | 9.30 % + 2.00 % (penal interest) | Rs. 77,18,523.98 (Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Three and Ninety Eight Paise Only) |

With further interest at contractual rates/rests will become payable from the date mentioned above till date of payment.
The credit facilities were secured by the assets mentioned below by way of mortgage of the property standing in the names of the mortgagors
You have acknowledged from time to time the liabilities under the above transactions through various documents executed by you.
**4)** The details of securities in favour of the Bank for the aforesaid credit facilities are:
**Nature of Security Prime Security**
**Particulars of Securities SCHEDULE A:** All that piece and parcel of the western portion on the eastern side of the converted land bearing Sy. No.6, measuring an extent of 0-13 ¾ guntas, out of the extent of 0-27 ½ guntas, situated at Gilladahalli @ kareguddahall village, yeshwantpura hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide conversion no ALN(NY)SR:65/2011-12, dated 11.08.2011, order issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Banglaore District and bounded on **East by:** Government road then remaining portion of the same land.**West by:** remaining western portion southern side on the western side belongs to M/s Indradanush Properties Pvt. Ltd.**North by:** remaining western portion of northern side of land in same Sy. No.6**South by:** Land bearing Survey No 7**Schedule B:**231 Sq. ft. of undivided land share of rights, title, interest in the schedule property.**Schedule C:**Apartment bearing Flat No 504, situated in the 4th floor having super built up area 1200 Sq.Ft. Consisting of Two bed rooms, with vitrified flooring, building known as GLOBAL NANDANAM constructed on the schedule "A" property with right to passes through the area leading to the main road and free egress and ingress and entitled for all the common area and amenities and car parking.
**5)** Consequent upon defaults committed by the above-named borrowers in payment of the principal debt/interest as per agreed terms, your loan account mentioned above has been **classified as Non-Performing Asset on 28.02.2026** as per Reserve Bank of India guidelines and directives. Despite our reminders for regularization of our account, you have not repaid the overdue loans including interest thereon.
Since you the above named borrowers have failed to meet the liabilities in respect of the credit facilities duly secured by the security mentioned above and upon classification of your account as Non-Performing Asset, we hereby recall our advances to you and give you notice under Sub-Section (2) of Section 13 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and call upon you to pay in full and discharge your liabilities to the **Bank aggregating to Rs. Rs. 77,18,523.98 (Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Three and Ninety Eight Paise Only) as detailed in para 1 above, with further interest @ (rate of interest @ 9.30 % + 2 % penal interest) compounded with monthly rests as agreed,** from the date mentioned above, within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice. We further give notice to the borrower/s namely **Mrs. Veena A w/o Mr. B S Raghavendra and Mr. B S Raghvendra S/o Late Mr. B K Srinivasmurthy** and mortgagors / guarantors who have given non-agri securities enforceable under the SARFAESI Act namely that failing payment of the above amount in full with interest and charges etc. till the date of payment, we shall be exercising all or any of the rights vested on us, under sub-section (4) of section 13of the said Act.
**4)** Please note that in law the borrowers and guarantors are jointly and severally liable to pay the dues with further interest and charges etc.
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**6)** Your attention is also invited to Sub-Section (13) of Section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you are restrained from transferring/alienating/shifting any of the secured assets referred to above by way of sale, lease or otherwise, without obtaining our prior written consent. Please also note that non-compliance/ contravention of the provisions contained in the said Act or Rules made here under, is an offence which is punishable with imprisonment and/or fine as provided under Section 29 of the Act.
**7)** The guarantors referred under Sl. No. 2 has given personal guarantee to secure the loans of the said borrowers and as such we advise you to prevail upon the borrowers to repay the dues as per our demand since we have the right to initiate action against you simultaneously in accordance with law, for recovery of our dues based on your personal guarantee.
**8)** We also put all of you on notice that if the account is not regularized/repaid within the stipulated time and in case of the Bank classifying you as a willful defaulter as per RBI Guidelines, the Bank reserves its rights to publish your photographs in Newspaper(s) with your name, address, details of default, dues etc., in accordance with RBI Guidelines besides initiating all recourses available to the Bank for recovery.
**9)** We also advise you that this Demand Notice is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which we have for recovery of the above said dues as well as our right to make further demands in respect of the sums due and payable by you.
**10)**Further, attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

**Date : 02-03-2026, Place: Bangalore** **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Indian Overseas Bank**

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**Date : 02-03-2026, Place: Bangalore** **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Indian Overseas Bank**

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

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| Dhaka | 31 | 19 | SNY | Moscow | 4 | 2 | SNY |
| Dubai | 26 | 21 | SNY | New York | 7 | 2 | SNY |
| Houston | 31 | 19 | TDS | Singapore | 28 | 25 | TDS |
| Istanbul | 33 | 21 | SNY | Toronto | 1 | -5 | SNY |
| London | 13 | 9 | SNY | Washington | 3 | -2 | SNY |

# Israel moves forces into Lebanon; Hezbollah says 'let it be open war'

**BEIRUT**

ISRAEL sent troops into southern Lebanon on Tuesday and warned residents of more than 80 villages to evacuate as the Iran-backed militant Hezbollah group said it was ready for an "open war" with Israel in the wake of the US-Israeli war on Iran.

WAR WATCH

The development came after Hezbollah fired rockets and launched drones early on Monday toward northern Israel. Israel retaliated with a wave of airstrikes that killed 40 people in Lebanon, including a Palestinian militant and a Hezbollah intelligence official in Beirut's southern suburbs.

That death toll is a revised figure from an earlier one reported by the Health Ministry, which said Monday that 52 people died in the strikes. Lebanese Health Minister Rakan Nassereddine told reporters on Tuesday that 40 died.

Lebanon also said 246 people were wounded and tens of thousands displaced.

Hezbollah said on Tuesday morning it fired two salvos of rockets toward northern Israel while Israeli airstrikes overnight damaged a building housing Hezbollah's TV and radio stations. Beirut's southern suburbs saw a series of strikes early on Tuesday afternoon that came without warning, and the Israeli military later said it targeted Hezbollah officials. The Israeli military's Arabic spokesman, Avichay Adraee, warned residents of more than 80 villages and towns in southern Lebanon to leave, adding that people should not return to these areas until further notice. A senior Hezbollah official said that after more than a year of abiding by a ceasefire as Israel's strikes continued on Lebanon, the group's patience has ended, leaving it with no option but to fight Israel. "The Zionist enemy wanted an open war, which it has not stopped since the ceasefire agreement," Mohamoud Komati said. "So let it be an open war," added the Hezbollah official.

Smoke rises from the site of an Israeli airstrike on the southern suburbs of Beirut. Israeli military issued new evacuation orders for dozens of locations in Lebanon | AFP

Lebanese President Joseph Aoun told the ambassadors of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the United States, France and Egypt on Tuesday that Hezbollah has been firing rockets from areas north of the Litani River.

The Israeli military said Tuesday it has sent additional troops into southern Lebanon and took new positions on several strategic points close to the border. Lebanon's state-run National News Agency said the Lebanese army was evacuating some of its positions along the border. Adraee, the Israeli spokesman, posted on X that the troops' movements inside Lebanon is part of efforts to bolster Israel's forward defense system and create an addition layer of security. *AP*

### NATO cites European backing for Iran strikes

BRUSSELS: NATO chief Mark Rutte on Tuesday said US European allies broadly support President Donald Trump's military campaign against Iran, including strikes that killed Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. Speaking in North Macedonia, Rutte said many NATO leaders backed efforts to dismantle Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile capabilities. He stressed that NATO is not involved in the operations but reaffirmed the alliance's commitment to defend every inch of its territory.

### War strands scores of people across Wasia

BERLIN: Tens of thousands of tourists, pilgrims and diplomats' families are stranded across the West Asia as the Iran war spreads and Gulf airspace remains closed. Major airlines have cancelled flights, cruise ships are unable to cross the Strait of Hormuz, and some travellers have sought shelter from airstrikes. The US has urged Americans to "depart now" from several countries and evacuated personnel. Russia, Germany, Italy and France are organising repatriation flights.

An Iranian flag is placed among the ruins of a police station struck during the US-Israeli military campaign in Tehran, Iran | AP

# Strikes hit body choosing Iran's next supreme leader

**TEHRAN**

ISRAELI and US strikes on Tuesday hit the building of a body tasked with electing Iran's new supreme leader, local media reported. Former leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei was killed during a wave of US-Israeli attacks on Saturday.

"The American-Zionist criminals attacked the Assembly of Experts building in Qom," south of Tehran, according to the Tasnim news agency.

The assembly is tasked with appointing, supervising and potentially dismissing the supreme leader. Local media showed footage of the building severely damaged in the strikes. There was no information on any potential casualties.

The Mehr news agency reported that the building was no longer being used for meetings. Tasnim reported that strikes had already targeted the main headquarters of the Assembly of Experts in Tehran on Monday.

Iran declared on Sunday the start of a transition process after confirming Khamenei's death. Plans call for an interim leadership council — made up of the president, the judiciary chief and a Guardian Council jurist — with Iran's top security chief Ali Larijani also central to the transition.

The interim leadership council will lead the country while a permanent successor is found for the supreme leader. *AFP*

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**BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II (KARNATAKA)**
FOURTH FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE BUILDING, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU — 560 001
**O.A. No. 378 OF 2025**

**BETWEEN:**
**HDFC Bank Ltd.** (Formerly HDFC Ltd.) Having office at: H.D.F.C. House, No. 51, Kasturba Road, Bengaluru 560 001. **... APPLICANT**

**:: AND ::**

**1. Mr. Shiraz Iqbal Sagar S/o. Mr. SM Iqbal Ahmed,** Aged about 55 years. Currently Residing At: P.O. Box No. 4157, Abu Dhabi, UAE.
**Permanent Address:** No. 83, 16th Cross, AECS I Stage, RMV II Stage, Bengaluru — 560 094
**Having Place of Work at:** Al Faraa Group, P.O. Box 4157, Abu Dhabi, UAE.
**Property Address:** Ozone Urbana Aqua Block F, Flat-F 203, Floor 2nd, Kannamagnala Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru-562 110 **... DEFENDANT No. 1**

**2. M/s. Ozone Urbana Infra Developers Pvt. Ltd.** A Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956. Having its registered office at: No. 38, Ulsoor Road, Bengaluru - 560 042 **... DEFENDANT No. 2**

**NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES,1993**

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Original Application under Section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against you for recovery of debts of Rs.47,77,550/- (Rupees Forty Seven Lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Only) together with current and future Interest and other relief's. The above Defendant is therefore, hereby directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before the Hon'ble Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **28th April 2026 at 10:30 a.m.**, as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take Notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Hon'ble Tribunal on this day 9th of February 2026.

BY THE ORDER OF THE
**Sd/- REGISTRAR**
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
BANGALORE

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**CHENNAI METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD**
**NOTICE INVITING TENDER THROUGH E-TENDER**
**NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

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| **Date:** | **03 March 2026** |
| **Loan No. and Title:** | **Loan No:P59311-001 IND / Chennai Climate resilient Water Security and Sewerage Project (CCRWSSP) and E-Procurement Notice** |
| **Contract No. and Title:** | **CNT/UGSS/NCB/ADB/002/2025-26 Improvement to existing sewerage system under Nesapakkam STP catchment area – SW-01 - Rehabilitation and enlargement of existing collection system with HSCs under 15 Nos of LS/SPS in Area 10 & 13 and Operation & maintenance of entire collection system for 5 years.** |
| **Deadline for Submission of Bids:** | **08/04/2026 upto 15.00 Hours** |

1. The Government of Tamil Nadu through Government of India has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of Chennai Climate Resilient Water Security and Sewerage Project (CCRWSSP). Part of this financing will be used for payments under the Contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of ADB.
2. The Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board ("the Employer") invites E-bids from eligible Bidders.
3. The Scope of Work: Improvement to existing sewerage system under Nesapakkam STP catchment area – SW-01 - Rehabilitation and enlargement of existing collection system with HSCs under 15 Nos of LS/SPS in Area 10 & 13 and Operation & maintenance of entire collection system for 5 years including other works within the contract scope. ("the Works").

   Supplying, laying, testing and commissioning of 57.067 km of DWC / CI / HDPE gravity mains of sizes varying from 200mm dia to 700mm dia by Pipe bursting, Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) and open cut method of laying. Construction and up gradation of 1633 Nos of precast and cast in situ machine holes and Providing 8013 Nos of house sewer connections (HSCs) with 110mm and 160mm dia MDPE pipes. Operation and maintenance of entire collection system for a period of 5 years.
4. Open competitive bidding – National advertisement will be conducted in accordance with ADB's Single-Stage: Two-Envelope bidding procedure and is open to all Bidders from eligible countries as described in the Bidding Document.
5. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications defined in the Bidding Document may participate in this bidding:
   - **Technical criteria** specified is for at least one contract that has been satisfactorily completed within the last Five years (2020-2021 to 2024-2025).

| S.No. | Qualification Criteria | Details |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Supply, laying and commissioning of gravity sewer mains of dia minimum of 350mm of HDPE/DWC/CI/RCC for a minimum length, successfully completed in one single contract. | 20 km |
| 2 | Supply, laying and commissioning of gravity sewer mains of dia minimum of 250mm of HDPE/DWC/CI/RCC for a minimum length, successfully completed using Trenchless Technology by pipe bursting / HDD in one single contract. | 5 km |
| 3 | Operation & Maintenance of Sewerage Network system for a period of at least one year | 1 project |

   - **Financial criteria** specified are to be achieved within the last 5 years (2020–2021 to 2024–2025). (Rs. in Crores)

| S. No. | Qualification Criteria | Details Rs. in Crores |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | Achieved minimum annual construction turnover calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed. | 93.61 |
| | For Joint Venture (maximum three partners), for all partners combined (must meet the requirement) | 93.61 |
| | For any one partner | 46.80 |
| | For each partner | 23.40 |
| 5 | One Sewerage network construction with the component of the proposed works of the value of not less than | 56.17 |

   - Details of bid security and dates of Prebid meeting, bids closing date and bids opening dates

| NIT No. | Name of work | E-Bid Security (INR) | Pre bid meeting Date | E-Bid Submission closing Date | E-Bid Opening Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Improvement to existing sewerage system under Nesapakkam STP catchment area – **SW-01** - Rehabilitation and enlargement of existing collection system with HSCs under 15 Nos of LS/SPS in Area 10 & 13 and Operation & maintenance of entire collection system for 5 years | **1.40 Cr** | **12/03/2026 at 11.00 Hours** | **08/04/2026 Upto 15.00 Hours** | **08/04/2026 15.30 Hours** |

**Note:** Only E-Bid security is accepted.

More details of qualification requirements are mentioned in the Bidding Documents.

6. To obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents, Bidders should contact:
   **SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (CONTRACT & MONITORING)**
   **CHENNAI METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD,**
   **No.1, Pumping Station Road, Chintadripet, Chennai - 02**
   **Telephone: +91 44 28451300, Extn - 254. E-mail: secandm@gmail.com**
   **Fax: 044 28454336**
7. To purchase the bidding documents in English, eligible Bidders should:
   - Refer to **https://tntenders.gov.in** (e-procurement portal of the Employer). The Bidding Documents will be available online on the website at **www.tntenders.gov.in** until before the deadline of bid submission.
8. Deliver your bid
   - Online at **https://tntenders.gov.in** on or before the deadline date specified at 15:00 hours (IST) together with a E-Bid Security as described in the Bidding Document.
   - Details of submission and opening of bids are as detailed above.

   Bids will be opened promptly after the deadline for bid submission in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend.
9. The Employer/Purchaser will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation or submission/delivery of bids.

**CE(O&M)-II/SE(C&M)i/c.**
**(Contracts &Monitoring)**

தேவை இத்தருணம் – குடிநீர் சிக்கனம் DIPR/1558/Tender/2026

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**IT ALWAYS SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE UNTIL IT'S DONE** › NELSON MANDELA

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to inform the General Public that my Client Mr. S.K.ASHWIN KUMAR, resident of No.1, Nissan House Palm Groove Road, Victoria Layout, Bangalore, has Jost the original Registered Sale Deed dt. 20.10.2010 bearing Doc.No. 4665/2010 and No.1729/2015, dated. 30.03.2015 in respect of property survey No,215, and survey No.217, situated at ANEGOLLU VILLAGE, Denkanikottei Sub Registration District, Denkanikottai Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu, and filed a complaint with the jurisdictional Police under Lost Report No.2087122/2026, dt.1/3/2026.

If any person find the said original documents, may call the undersigned Advocate and hand over the same immediately.

**K.Venkateshan, B.A. LLB**
Advocate & Notary
**Mob : 9886776570**

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IN THE COURT OF THE LXII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-63)
O.S No. 5851/2023

Between
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited, having its registered office at: Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara-390007, having its head office at and Zonal office at: 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanahalli, Hosur Main Road, Bengaluru- 560068 And Bengaluru through its Authorised representative Mr. Harish E.
...Plaintiff

And
Ms. Indrani Chatterjee
...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Defendant:-
Ms. Indrani Chatterjee,
D/o. Malay Ranjan Chatterjee,
Aged About 37 Years,
R/at. No. 19, 2nd Floor, 21st Cross, Ejipura, J.J. Churchm Road,
Vivek Nagar Post, Near Bus Stop,
Bangalore- 560047

Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit for recovery of money for sum of Rs. 6,17,416.11/- along with interest at the rate of 24% P.A. against you, and you are summoned to appear before the Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge at Bengaluru (C.C.H. 63), in person or by a pleader, on the day of 15/04/2026 at 11:00 AM to answer the claim, failing to which the suit would be disposed of Ex-Parte

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this the 26th day of February, 2026 at Bangalore.

By Order of the Court
Assistant Registrar,
Hon'ble City Civil Court,
Bengaluru

Advocate for Plaintiff
B.S. Jeevan Kumar
Vidhii Partners,
Advocates,
No. 701, Queens Corner 'A',
3, Queens Road, Bengaluru- 01

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri Venkatalakshmi and Others,** has filed the above Petition for the deathmcertificate of petitioner's No. 1, 4 to 8 father and Petitioner No. 2 & 3 Grand Father **LATE CHIKKA PATALAPPA S/O LATE CHANNAPPA was died on 12/08/1990** at: Taruhunase Village and Post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and Karnataka-562157. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Additional Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 8/4/2026 at 11.00 A.M. in C.Mis.No.175/2026.**

**By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer**
**Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli**
**Chandrakala .B, Advocate**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri Venkatalakshmi and Others,** has filed the above Petition for the death certificate of **LATE VENKATAMMA W/O LATE CHANNAPPA was died on 10/05/1965** at Taruhunase Village and Post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and Karnataka-562157. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Additional Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 8/4/2026 at 11.00 A.M. in C.Mis.No.173/2026.**

**By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer**
**Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli**
**Chandrakala .B, Advocate**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is the General Public Notice that my client **Mr. Santosh Kumar V** S/o Sri Venkanna Ekambe, residing at Flat No. 301, "Bhumi Apartment", 108H, 5th Cross Road, MLA Layout, Bhoopasandra, Sanjayanagar, Bangalore-560094, has entered into a registered Agreement of Sale, dated 17-01-2026 in respect of the Schedule Property mentioned hereunder, with Sri Doddi Venkata Giri S/o Sri Doddi Gundu Rao, who is the absolute owner in possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Apartment bearing No. B-1802 (B-Block) in Eighteenth Floor of the building known as "HOYSALA INFANTRY TOWERS" constructed on Scheduler 'A' property, measuring 1499 Sq. ft. of Super Built up area, inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use, with right to use once covered car parking space bearing No. B-1802 in the basement floor and the Apartment is presently bearing Municipal No. 23/72B-1802, D, Rajagopal Road, Sanjayanagar. Along with 430.06 sq, ft. of UDS formed in 21/3 situated at D/ Rajagopal Road, Geddalahalli, Sanjayanagar, Bangalore-560094, which is referred to as Schedule Property, free from all encumbrances, and my client wishes to create a charge viz, mortgage or otherwise on the schedule property for a loan/credit facilities from the State Bank of India, Yelahanka, RACPC, vide Code No. 1899 Bangalore-560064. If any person/s objecting for the said sale or asserting any claim, right, title and interest in the above mentioned property or any part thereof, any manner, may put forth his/their claim/s in writing to the undersigned, within 15 days (Fifteen days) from the date of publication of this Notice along with documentary proof, after which period my client shall proceed accordingly. Note that, if no claims or objections are received in time, then my client shall proceed with the execution of the sale deed on the basis that there are no subsisting claim or right over the schedule property come whomsoever.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing No. B-1802 (B-BLOCK) in Eighteenth Floor of the Building known "HOYSALA INFANTRY TOWERS" constructed on Schedule 'A' property and measuring 1499 Sq. ft. of Super Built up area, inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use, with right to use one covered car parking space bearing No. B-1802 in the Basement Floor and the Apartment is presently bearing Municipal No. 23/72B-1802, D. Rajagopal Road, Sanjayangar, along with 430.06 Sq. ft. of UDS, formed in 21/3, situated at D. Rajgopal Road, Geddalahalli, Sanjayanagar, Bangalore -560094.

**Venkanna Ekambe, Advocate,**
No. 49, 4th Main Road, Postal Colony,
Sanjayanagar, Bangalore-560094. M-9845495406
Venkannaekambe1@gmail.com

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to inform the general public that my client **M/s Lakshmi Holdings, represented by its partner, Mrs. Devina Hemdev** has lost/misplaced below mentioned original title Deeds/documents pertaining to the converted lands bearing Sy.Nos.10/3, measuring 39 Guntas and 81/2, measuring 1 Acre 23 Guntas, situated at Sadahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District:-

1. Deed of Absolute Sale and Conveyance Dated 28.02.2005, Registered as Document No.DNH-1-05029-2004-05, stored in Book No.1, CD No. DNHD39, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Devanahalli, Bangalore Rural District.

Any person or persons finding the original documents or anyone asserting any right, title, interest or claim in the aforesaid Property/s or any part thereof, in any manner whatsoever or having any claim against the aforesaid Property/s or the documents thereof or against the owners or objecting to said transaction with my client, should write to the undersigned within **Seven days** from the date of issuance of this notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regard to aforesaid Property/s or any part thereof, after which period our clients shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the aforesaid Property/s.

Sd/-
**M. Preetham, Advocate**
No.340/83, First Floor, 12th Main,
6th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010.

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**IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF THE IX ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AND SESSION JUDGE, BENGLAURU RURAL DISTRICT, AT BENGALURU**
**P & SC. NO. 09/2026**

**Between : Sri. Suman. N** S/o. P. Nandeesha, Aged about 31 years, Residing at No. 129, Near Samudhaya Bhavan Channasandra, Kadugodi Post, Bengaluru -560067 **...Petitioner**

**And : 1. Smt. Krishnamma** W/o. Puttappa @ Krishnappa, Aged about 84 years,
**2. Sri. Nandeesha.P** S/o. Puttappa @ Krishnappa, Aged about 63 years, **3. Smt. Vijaya Lakshmi** W/o. Nandeesha.P, Aged about 62 years, Respondent No. 1 to 3, All are residing at, Near Samudhaya Bhavan, Channasandra, Kadugodi post, Bengaluru-560067.
**4. Smt. Sowmya** W/o. MuraliMohan.S, Aged about 36 years, Residing at No. 159, Beladingalu, Near SVS Sunrise apartment, Friends Layout, Sigehalli, Virgo Nagar post, Bengaluru-560046.
**5. Sri. Amaranarayana. P** S/o. Puttappa @ Krishnappa, Aged about 58 years,
**6. Smt. Lakshmi** W/o. Amaranarayana.P, Aged about 55 years,
**7. Smt. Lavanya** D/o. Amaranarayana. P Aged about 28 years, **8. Smt. Pooja** D/o. Amaranarayana.P, Aged about 25 years, Respondent No. 5 to 8, All are residing at, Opp. Overhead Tank, Channasandra, Kadugodi Post, Bengaluru-560067 **...Respondents**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to inform the General Public that Smt. Nanjamma wife of Muninanjappa, resided at Channasandra Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, was passed away on 14.01.1997 at about 10:30 AM at her residence at Channasandra Village, Bengaluru Urban District. The deceased has left behind as Last Will dated 08.02.1996, with respect to land bearing survey No.111/2, measuring 3 Acres 04 Guntas situated at Channasandra Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, which was unregistered will. Under the terms of the said Will deceased Smt.Nanjamma has bequeathed her property to Sri.Suman.N who is her grandson in the aforesaid Will, and said deceased Smt.Nanjamma has appointed the Chikkamuniveerappa as executer after death of testator and all the original documents along with Original Will also handover to the Chikka muniveerappa, after death of testator and executer, the son of the executer i.e., Krishnamurthy has handover the aforementioned Will and documents to beneficiary i.e., Suman.N on 11.08.2025. There afterwords beneficiary of Will has filed P and SC Petition for grand probate and Succession Certificate in P&SC No.09/2026, before the Hon'ble IX Additional District and Session Judge, Bengaluru Rural District, at Bengaluru, which is pending before this Hon'ble and next date of hearing on **02.04.2026,** therefore Any person(s) having any objection, claim, or right against the estate of the deceased or the validity of the said Will dated 08.02.1996 are hereby required to make the same known in writing, supported by documentary evidence, to the undersigned at the address mentioned below on 02.04.2026 from the date of publication of this notice.

If no such objections are received within the stipulated period, the estate will be dealt with/administered as per the directions of the said Will, and no further claims shall be entertained thereafter.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All the piece and parcel of the agricultural property bearing Sy No.111/2, measuring 1 Acre 38.12 Guntas out of 3 Acre 04 Guntas, situated at Channasandra Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangaluru East Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded by:
**East by :** Dongara and alienated land,
**West by :** Property belongs to Pojari Basaiah,
**North by :** Property belongs Kalappa and Muniswamy, **South by :** Dongara
Given under my hand and seal of the court, on this 03rd day of March 2026.

**By Order of the Court**
Sd/- Chief Administrative Officer
District & Sessions Court
Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore-560009
**Advocate for Petitioner**
**KRISHNA MURTHY. T.R. ADVOCATE**
**K & K ASSOCIATES**
No.38, Prithvi Building, K.G.Road,
Bengaluru -560009, Mob : 9886026806
E-mail : krishma98murthy@gmail.com

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri Venkatalakshmi and Others,** has filed the above Petition for the death certificate of their Grand Father **LATE CHANNAPPA S/O LATE KANNONU was died on 25/12/1964** at Taruhunase Village and Post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and Karnataka -562157. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Additional Civil Judge JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 08/4/2026. at 11.00 A.M. in C.Mis.No.174/2026.**

**By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer**
**Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli**
**Chandrakala .B, Advocate**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Smt. Gangamma and Others** have filed the above petition for the death certificate of **Chowdamma W/o Late Narayanappa was died on 26-10-2009** at Ward No.10, Neeleri, Devanahalli Town, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Prl Civil Judge & JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 16/4/26 at 11.00 A.M. in C.Misc.No. 60/2026.**

**By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer**
**Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli**
**Venkatesh .S, Advocate**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Our Client intends to purchase Site No 173, Nelamangala Nagarasabhe E-Asthi-2500484715, Katha No 463, old Property No: 150300701900803288, old Property no as per Grama Panchayath Record 463/173 C Block, Converted Survey number-57/2, measuring East to west 12.192 Meter (40 Feet) and North to South 9.144 Meter (30 Feet) totally measuring 111.4837 meter (1200 Sq. feet) at Mallapura Village, Kasaba Hobali, Nelamagala taulk & Bangalore Rural and bounded on the:- **East By :** Road
**West by :** Site No 178
**North by :** Site No 174
**South by :** Site no 172
From its Joint owner Sri Manjunath V and his wife SMT Shashirekha.

Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objection/claims with documentary evidence within 10days from the date of this publication, to the undersigned.

**JAGADEESH G.L. MSW, PGDHRM, LLB Advocate**
KAR/1976/2015
No. 275, SMS Complex, Opp. HP Petrol Bunk, Near Sub Register Office, Nelamangala, Bangalore Rural Dist. -562123. Mob : 9900680381

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

My client/s are intending to Purchase the Property bearing Site No. 19, New E- PID No. 4698792989, Property No. 29-19, Bull Temple Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 80 feet (24.38 Mts) and North to South : 41 feet (12.5 Mts) in all measuring 304.72 Square Mtrs or 3280 Sq. ft. with building thereon, presently with in the limits of BBMP Ward No. 142, Sunkenahalli and bounded on the East by: Private Property, West by : Bull Temple Road, North by : Property of Saraswathi Ammal & South by : Property of Late Maniyam from Mohan V Mundasad, S. M. Mundasad, Annapurna Basavaraj Mondasad, Vishwanath Mundasad B & Siddharth Mundasad & Shruthi Mundasad.

Persons having any claim, objections etc. in respect of the said sale transaction pertaining to said property may lodge the same with documentary evidence, with the undersigned **within 7 days** from the date of publication of this Notice. Otherwise my client will proceed with the transcation treating that there are no claims or objections.

**(B.R. Viswanath) Advocate,**
No. 14/8, 1st Floor, Jain Temple Street, V.V. Puram, Bangalore-4,
Ph : 22425606 (M):98450 34560
Place:Bangalore Date:28.02.2026

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri Thimmarayappa and 2 another,** have filed the above petition for the death certificate of **Late Anjinappa S/o late Masthanappa @ Kurlappa, was died on 11/10/2021** at Kempathimmanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Prl Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 01.04.2026 at 11.00 AM in C.Misc No.307/2025.**

**By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer**
**Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli**
**Sri S.P. Gandhi, Advocate**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to inform that our Proposed Multi-Storied Residential Apartment project at **Sy.NO. 120, Sathnur Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, Bangalore, Karnataka** has been accorded Environmental Clearance by the MoEF & CC, IA Division. A copy of the said Clearance letter is available via proposal number SIA/KA/INFRA2/562209/2026 with the MoEF&CC, website https://parivesh.nic.in

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Our clients M/s. PAANEM GROUP, M/s NEO BUILDERS and others intending to purchase from Sri.K.Papanna, Sri Mekala Raghunatha Reddy, Sri.Chakkara Bhaskara and Sri.B.Reddapareddy with respect of Land bearing Sy. No.71/2, measuring 1 Acre 39 Guntas, Situated at Harohalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.**

**Any person or persons having/asserting any right title or interest/claims or intending to oppose the purchase in any manner to the undersigned within Fifteen days from the publication of Notice hereof with documentary proof where after no such claims will be entertained and my client will proceed with the purchase of the said property.**

**Y. Sowmya Yadav, Advocate**
Samvruddhi Legal, # 83, Ground Floor, 5th 'A' Cross, 21st Main, J.P. Nagar 2nd Phase, Bangalore-78. **M : 9916343921**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The general public is hereby informed that our clients, intends to purchase the property morefully described in the schedule hereunder from its present owner **Shri. C V Ramana Reddy** S/o. Purshothama Reddy R/a F.No. A1 No. W-481, Praveen Virata, 2nd Avenue, 'C' Sector, Anna Nagar Western Extension, Ambattur, Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu – 600101. If any person/s or entity/authority having any right, title, interest and objections over the scheduled properties may lodge their claims/objections in writing supported by relevant documents to the undersigned within 10 days from the date of publication. In case of non-receipt of objections or claims within the aforesaid period our client shall presume that there are no claims/objections for purchase.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Vacant demarked Site No.1913/A in Block 'A' in AECs Layout, Presently having BBMP Property Katha No.1643/1913/A, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, presently comes under BBMP Limits, ward No.191, Bangalore, in the layout plan of the AECS Society measuring East to West 40 feet, North to South 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq.feet together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the:-
**East by :** Road;
**West by :** Site No. 1912;
**North by :** Site No. 1913; and
**South by :** Site No. 1914.
**Place :** Bangalore **Date :** 03.03.2026

**(ANIL KUMAR H), Advocate**
No.34, 7th Cross, 7th Main, Near Vinayaka Temple, Nobonagar, B.G. Road, Bangalore – 560 076, Mobile : +91-9886698898

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**STATE INDUSTRIES PROMOTION CORPORATION OF TAMIL NADU LIMITED**
**19-A, RUKMANI LAKSHMIPATHY ROAD, EGMORE, CHENNAI-600 008.**
**CIN U74999TN1971SGC005967**

**(ONLINE ONLY)**

**Tender Notice NIT.No.66/CD/T.No.66/2025-26 Dt.03.03.2026**

For and on behalf of State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited, tenders are invited under **"Two Cover System"** through online only for the following work from **qualified Bidders** having experience in similar nature of works as mentioned under. Tenders will be received upto **15.30 Hrs** (as per server system clock) on **16.04.2026** and the same will be opened at **15.30 Hrs** (as per server system clock) on **17.04.2026.**

| Name of Work | Approx. value of work | EMD |
|---|---|---|
| Development of 5.0 MLD capacity Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) based Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP) @ PM MITRA Park, Virudhunagar, Tamil Nadu on EPC Basis with operation and maintenance for 5 years. | **Rs. 11974.05 Lakhs (inclusive of GST @18%)** | **Rs. 60.00 Lakhs*** |

* EMD should be paid through **eBG** only (as per the list of banks attached in the Annexure-D in RFP)

The tender schedule can be downloaded at free of cost from the website **https://tntenders.gov.in**

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12% YoY growth in India's white-collar jobs in February amid increasing AI adoptions and a recovery in the IT sector, says Naukri JobSpeak report

OMCs hold 25 days of crude stocks & another 25 days of petrol and diesel inventories

# India has enough fuel stocks for 6-8 weeks: Petroleum ministry

**RAKESH KUMAR** @ New Delhi

INDIA has sufficient crude oil and gas inventories to meet domestic demand for petrol and diesel for the next six-eight weeks, said a senior petroleum ministry official.

As per him, India's oil marketing companies currently hold about 25 days of crude oil stocks and another 25 days of petrol and diesel inventories, taking the total available stock to nearly 50 days. The official added that diversified sourcing from the US, Russia, West Africa and Latin America is expected to ensure supply continuity even if the crisis persists.

He said this year, crude sourced from countries that use the Strait of Hormuz accounts for over 40% of India's imports due to a drop in Russian cargoes, compared to an average of 50% over the past couple of years. Media reports suggest the conflict has effectively closed the Strait of Hormuz, a key conduit for global energy flows.

"The remaining 60% is not shipped from the Strait," he said. However, higher global crude prices and rising freight and insurance costs may rise India's import bill and put pressure on inflation. "We are in a reasonably comfortable situation," the official said. The official said India was looking to import LPG even before the Iran crisis broke out last weekend. An issue with a pipeline in Saudi Arabia, the principal supplier of LPG to India, had created a deficit of 120,000 tonnes.

Meanwhile, petroleum minister Hardeep Singh Puri said the country is well-stocked with crude oil and inventories of key petroleum products, including petrol, diesel and ATF, to deal with short-term disruptions arising from the Middle East. In a statement, he said the government has established a 24×7 Control Room to continuously monitor supply and stock position of petroleum products across the country. At present, the government is reasonably comfortable in terms of stocks.

The minister also said that in recent years, India has ensured both availability and affordability of energy for its population by diversifying its sources.

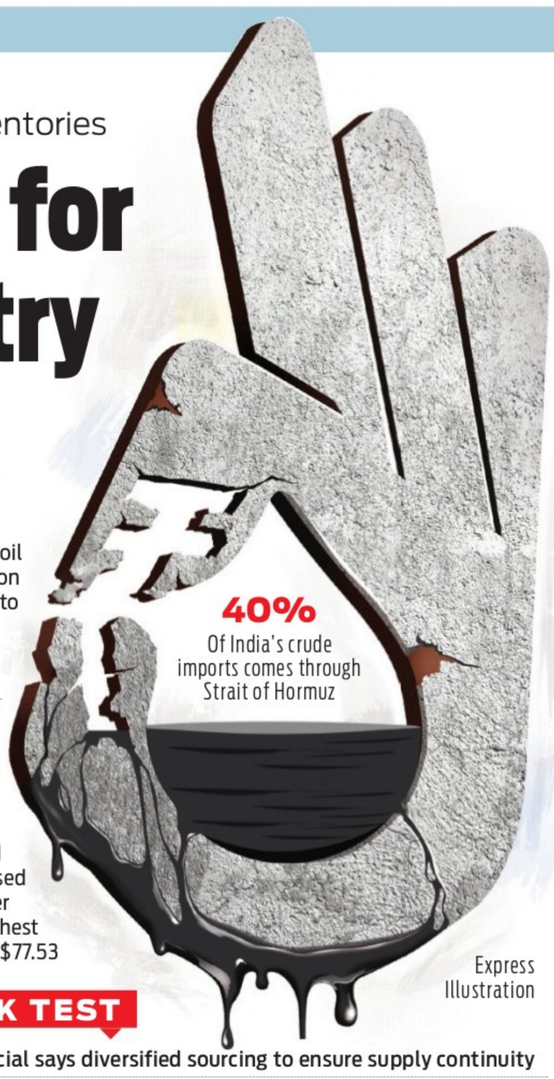
"Indian energy companies now have access to energy supplies that are not routed via the Strait of Hormuz. Such cargoes will remain available and help mitigate supplies that may be temporarily affected enroute via the Strait of Hormuz," said the minister. India spent $137 billion on crude oil imports in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2025. During April 2025 to January 2026 — the first 10 months of the current fiscal year — it spent $100.4 billion on imports of 206.3 million tonne of crude oil.

**Indian energy companies have access to energy supplies that are not routed via the Strait of Hormuz. Such cargoes will remain available and help mitigate supplies**

Hardeep Singh Puri , petroleum minister

**8%** Rise in crude oil benchmarks on Tuesday due to disruption on fuel shipments

**7.13%** Surge US WTI crude witnessed to $76.31 after hitting its highest since June at $77.53

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**SHOCK TEST**

- A govt official says diversified sourcing to ensure supply continuity
- Higher crude prices, freight, insurance costs may increase import bill
- Country is well-stocked with crude oil, petroleum products: Minister
- 24×7 Control Room to monitor stock position of petroleum products
- At present, the govt is reasonably comfortable in terms of stocks
- During Apr 2025 to Jan 2026, India spent $100.4 bn on crude imports

WEST ASIA CRISIS

# Strait of Hormuz closure may shave 50 bps off GDP

**BEN KOCHUVEEDAN** @ Mumbai

A prolonged closure of the Strait of Hormuz could have major implications for the Indian economy, with economists warning of a spike in inflation, a wider current account deficit (CAD), and a hit to growth.

The strategically vital shipping passage carries nearly half of India's oil and gas imports from the Middle East. If tensions persist and the strait remains shut, crude prices could surge to $90–100 per barrel. Brent is already quoting at $82.5 per barrel, up about 15% since the conflict began.

Economists estimate that such a disruption could push up CPI inflation by 40 basis points (bps), shave off 50 bps from GDP growth, and widen the CAD by 30–50 bps. At its last monetary policy review, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) had assumed an average crude basket price of $70 per barrel for FY26 while projecting CPI inflation at 2.1% for FY26 and 4.1% for H1FY27. A sustained spike in oil prices would likely force an upward revision of these projections.

Since the conflict began last Saturday, crude prices have risen over 15%. Brent was trading at $82.5 per barrel on Tuesday, up 3.3%. An Iranian attack on a Qatari LNG facility and the disruption in the Strait of Hormuz have also led to a 55% surge in European gas prices. The strait accounts for around 20% of global crude flows.

Kaushik Das, chief economist at Deutsche Bank India, said that for every $10 per barrel increase in global oil prices, India's CAD could widen by 0.4% of GDP. He estimates the CAD could rise to $65 billion, or 1.5% of GDP, in FY27, compared with a pre-war forecast of $45.6 billion, or 1% of GDP.

"If that happens, there will be continued depreciation pressure on rupee as foreign capital inflows remain weak. The balance of payments could see a $20 billion gap," Das said. On inflation, Das said a 10–20% rise in global oil prices, assuming full pass-through, could raise CPI inflation by 25-50 bps. However, he doesn't expect the government to immediately pass on higher crude prices to consumers.

**A picture of gloom & doom**

A prolonged closure of the Strait of Hormuz may push crude to $90-100 per barrel

This may jack up CPI inflation by 40 bps

India's current account deficit could widen by 0.4% of GDP

India sources nearly 45% of crude need from the Gulf

In case of partial pass-through, CPI inflation could rise to 4.5–5% range in FY27 as against the baseline assumption of 4.3%. He expects core CPI inflation, excluding precious metals, to remain closer to the 4% target. Choon Hong Chua, senior director at Moody's, said the broader concern extends beyond oil and gas to overall trade behaviour across Asia.

"As military actions intensify, countries are likely to align trade and export control policies more explicitly with geopolitical positioning. This raises the risk of selective export restrictions, informal boycotts and tighter customs scrutiny," Chua said. India meets about 85% of its crude oil needs through imports, nearly 45% of which come from the Gulf.

# Mkt to stay under stress amid global sell-off, oil price surge

**ARSHAD KHAN** @ New Delhi

SELLING pressure in the Indian equity market is poised to continue over the next few sessions, mirroring a sharp plunge in global equities on Wednesday. The downturn is triggered by escalating tensions in West Asia as the US-Israel coalition and Iran continue to exchange missiles. Indian exchanges were closed on Tuesday on the occasion on Holi festival.

The fresh selling arises amid reports of closure of the Strait of Hormuz which carries 20% of the world's crude. The important trade route has come to a standstill as Iran continues to rain missiles and drones across West Asia. Iran's action comes after US and Israeli forces targeted key Iranian sites over the weekend, resulting in confirmed death of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

The MSCI Asia Pacific Index dropped 3.3% on Tuesday, extending Monday's 1.7% fall. Among the leading Asian indices, South Korea's Kospi plunged 7.2% while Japan's Nikkei225 fell more than 3%. Taiwan and the Shanghai Composite also fell 1-2% on Tuesday. Early indications by Dow Jones futures and Gifty Nifty also indicated another gap-down opening for the Indian market on Wednesday.

Since the West Asia crisis that began on Saturday, crude prices have shot more than 15% and the global benchmark Brent is quoting $82.5 a barrel on Tuesday, up 3.3%, while the Iranian attack on the Qatari LGN facility and the closure of the Strait of Hormuz has led to gas prices surging 55% in Europe.

Market experts had earlier warned there would be more pain for the market if tensions in West Asia persist for weeks as this could push crude oil prices to the $90-$100 per barrel mark. The Sensex had settled 1,048 points lower at 80,239 on Monday and the Nifty closed 313 points lower at 25,866.

Given India is a key importer of oil, higher crude prices are a key macro headwind for the country. This may exert pressure on inflation, currency stability and corporate margins, thereby impacting overall equity market sentiment.

Rajesh Palviya, head of research, Axis Securities, said that the immediate concern is crude oil. India imports over 80% of its oil requirements, and any prolonged disruption, especially a full closure of the Strait of Hormuz would push Brent prices sharply higher.

"This could widen the current account deficit, put pressure on the rupee, and create near-term inflationary risks, potentially delaying monetary easing. However, India enters this phase from a position of relative macro strength," added Palviya.

# Jio appoints Dan Bailey as president to lead global biz

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ New Delhi

JIO Platforms Limited (JPL), digital arm of Reliance Industries, on Tuesday announced the appointment of Dan Bailey as President, Jio Platforms, where he will lead the company's international business initiatives. Based in London, Dan will report to Akash Ambani, Chairman of Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited.

As per a JPL statement, Dan brings over 35 years of experience across consulting and investment banking, having held senior leadership roles at Schroders/Citigroup, Morgan Stanley, and HSBC. Most recently, he served as chairman of Deutsche Bank's highly regarded TMT practice. Over the course of his career, Dan has advised many of the world's largest corporates and financial sponsors on a broad range of transformative transactions, including some of the most consequential telecom deals in history. Dan will join the Executive Committee of Jio Platforms and will contribute across the business as well.

As outlined at JPL's most recent AGM, Jio's next chapter extends beyond India. Over the past decade, Jio has built innovative digital platforms and technologies that have transformed connectivity and access for over a billion people. With a clear strategy, strong partnerships, and a defined roadmap, Jio is now poised to take these capabilities to global markets — creating long-term value for customers, partners, and shareholders. "Dan has been a trusted advisor to us for many years, and his counsel has been invaluable as we have grown and evolved," said Akash Ambani, chairman, of Reliance Jio Infocomm.

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**JAPAN**

**QUARTERLY CAPEX RISES 6.5%**

Japanese spending on factories and equipment increased 6.5% year-on-year in the fourth quarter, Ministry of Finance data showed on Tuesday. It indicates resilient investment demand continued to support a barely growing economy. The data, which will be used in calculating revised gross domestic product figures due on March 10, comes as the government seeks to bolster investment through targeted public outlay in sectors it deems vital for economic security. Preliminary data last month showed the economy grew an annualised 0.2% in the final quarter of last year, undershooting forecasts as inflation squeezed consumption while a tariff agreement with the US did little to drive exports. Capital spending in October-December accelerated from the previous quarter's 2.9% YoY gain.

**THAILAND**

**WEST ASIA CRISIS MAY HIT GDP BY 0.15%: BOT GUV**

The Governor of the Bank of Thailand (BOT), Vitai Ratanakorn, has warned that the intensifying conflict between Iran and the US is poised to destabilise global markets, with the potential to shave up to 0.15% off Thailand's GDP. The Governor, Speaking at an event on Tuesday, urged close monitoring of the situation, noting that global financial markets opened with significant volatility on the morning of March 2, 2026. While the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) had previously accounted for geopolitical risks, the Governor admitted the current escalation—marked by high-level assassinations and multi-country retaliations—has surpassed initial forecasts in both scale and severity. A primary concern for the central bank is the potential closure of the Strait of Hormuz.

**SINGAPORE**

**MAY REASSESS ECONOMIC FORECAST**

Deputy Prime Minister Gan Kim Yong has warned that Singapore may revise its growth and inflation outlook if the deepening conflict in Iran continues to disrupt global energy flows, according to aCNA report. Addressing parliament during the Committee of Supply debates yesterday, Gan said the government is watching the closure of the Strait of Hormuz "closely", noting its critical role in global shipments of crude oil and liquefied natural gas. The comments reflect rising concern within the Singapore government as tensions escalate in the Middle East and the US-Israeli air campaign against Iran threatens a key artery of the global energy system. The Monetary Authority of Singapore said the Singapore dollar remains within its appreciating policy band

# 'Southern India central to Escorts Kubota's next phase of growth'

**SANAL SUDEVAN** @ Chennai

AS part of its broader expansion strategy in the tractor segment, Escorts Kubota Ltd (EKL) will launch a state-of-the-art four-wheel drive (4WD) tractor under its Powertrac range for southern markets within the next four months.

Speaking to *TNIE*, EKL chairman Nikhil Nanda said, "In the next four months, the company will be launching a new and state-of-the-art four-wheel drive within Powertrac range, specially for southern markets."

Nanda, along with EKL deputy MD Akira Kato and CFO Bharat Madan, was in Hyderabad to launch Powertrac Shaurya, a new 'South Special' paddy tractor series. The range comprises five variants in 39 HP to 52 HP category and is tailored for paddy and wetland farming in Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka. Kato said the firm lacked a mass-market product suited to southern India.

"Kubota has built a robust dealer network in south India, but to grow further we needed a product that appeals to mass market. With Powertrac, we are addressing that gap."

Nanda said the upcoming 4WD tractor will be developed via collaboration between Indian and Japanese engineers. It aims to replicate the success of its Farmtrac Promaxx series, launched last year. Madan said EKL holds a 12-13% market share nationally as against 6–7% in the southern region. "With the new launches, we aim to take our southern market share closer to our national levels. We have been growing at 26–27% annually in south over the past two years," he said. The company had launched its third-generation ride-on rice transplanters in Chennai in November 2025.

On the ongoing conflict in West Asia, Madan said most shipments had already sailed from ports. "We are not aware of any vessels stopping mid-transit. There is a possibility that some shipping lines may delay consignments. Fresh shipments will depend on how the situation evolves," he said.

Nanda stated, "Southern India is central to Escorts Kubota's next phase of growth, and we are strengthening our presence through focused, high-quality, application-led products. The launch of Shaurya is in line with these objectives as we deepen our presence in paddy markets and expand our regional footprint."

**In the next four months, the company (Escorts Kubota) will be launching a new and state-of-the-art four-wheel drive within the Powertrac range specially for southern markets**

— Nikhil Nanda, chairman, Escorts Kubota Ltd

# Infosys, Intel to scale enterprise AI deployment

**ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU** @ Bengaluru

INFOSYS and Intel have expanded their partnership to help businesses turn artificial intelligence projects into full-scale working systems.

The two companies said they want to help organisations move beyond small AI trials and use the technology in everyday operations. The plan brings together Intel's computing hardware with Infosys Topaz Fabric, a platform designed to manage AI systems. The combined setup connects data, software models, applications and workflows in one system. The aim is to make it easier for companies to build, run and manage AI tools across their operations.

The companies said they are working on design, testing and improvement of AI workloads using Intel Xeon processors, Intel Gaudi AI accelerators and Intel AI PCs. The focus is on what they describe as "right-sized" AI systems that balance speed, security and cost. The collaboration includes tools for data integration, model management, performance tracking and built-in security. The companies say this will allow AI systems to run safely in complex and regulated industries. It supports AI agents that can access company data, manage tasks and operate under defined controls.

# HOOKAH SERVED IN RESTAURANTS MUST ATTRACT 18-40% GST: AAR

**DIPAK MONDAL** @ New Delhi

THE West Bengal Authority for Advance Ruling (AAR) has ruled that hookah served in restaurants along with food will no longer attract the concessional 5% GST rate applicable to restaurant services, effectively increasing the tax incidence on such supplies to 18% in the case of non-tobacco variants and 40% plus applicable compensation cess in the case of tobacco-based products.

In its February 27 order in the case of Indian Wire Products Company, which operates the restaurant 'Pappu Chaiwala', the two-member bench held that serving hookah alongside food does not qualify as part of restaurant service. Instead, it must be treated as a separate composite supply of goods, taxable at the rate applicable to the underlying product used for smoking.

The applicant had argued that herbal (non-tobacco) and tobacco-based hookah, when served as part of the overall dining experience, formed a composite supply of restaurant service taxable at 5%. Rejecting this contention, the AAR said the expression "food or any other article for human consumption" must be interpreted in the context of items that are ingested and digested. Hookah smoke, whether tobacco-based or herbal, is inhaled into the respiratory tract and cannot be equated with food or drink.

"Even if we stretch our imagination to the farthest point, we cannot put food, drink and smoking hookah within the same bracket even when they are served in the same restaurant and on the same table," the bench observed.

The Authority further held that while hookah service involves both goods (tobacco or non-tobacco products) and service elements (preparation of the apparatus and provision of ambience), the principal supply is the product used for smoking.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mr.VINIT SHRISHAIL MELINAMANI,** aged about 34 years, S/o Sri.Shrishail Melinamani, Plot No.2291, Sector No.11, Ward No.53, Mahantesh Nagar, Belgaum-590016; intends to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from **(1) Mrs. Chanchal Pahwa** W/o Late Jawaharlal Pahwa; **(2) Mr. Arpan Arora** S/o Late Dr.Prithvi Raj Arora, both are residing at 208 SFS, 2nd Main 4th Phase, Opposite to Mother Dairy, Yelahanka Newtown, Yalahanka, Bangalore-560 064.

In view of the above, anybody who has any manner of right or interest on the Schedule Property or any objections in whatsoever manner for the purchase; may file their objections in writing with documentary proof before the undersigned within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, and if the undersigned does not receive any objections from whomsoever in whatsoever manner, then it shall be presumed that the Schedule Property is free from all sort of encumbrances, claims, mortgages and obligations and my client shall go on with the purchase.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site/House No.76, 208 SFS, constructed by the Karnataka Housing Board, Present BBMP Katha No.527/2585/515/76, Present BBMP EPID No.2617685281, measuring East to West 15+10/2 Mtrs and North to South 20.00 Mtrs., totally measuring 250 Sq. Mtrs 2691 Sq. Ft., consisting therein 1720 Sq. Ft of residential building, situated at 2nd Main 4th Phase, Opposite to Mother Dairy, Yelahanka Newtown, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064 and bounded on the;

East by : Open Yard; West by : Site/House No.75; North by : Road; South by : Open Yard:

**PRABHAKAR L.SHETTY,** Advocate,
No.6/3, Kumara Cot Layout,
Kumara Krupa Road, Bangalore-560 001.
Ph. No. 9448075994 **DATE : 03.03.2026**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client Mr.Irfan Babu S/o.Mr.Shamashad Residing #73, Shama Manzil, 2nd Cross, Chinnamma Layout, Maruthinagar, Madiwala-5600068.

My client is the absolute owner in possession of the All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing SITE NO.17, Khatha no.47, EPID no.2085829115, Municipal property ID no.152-10035-17, 66-47-14, Sy.no.14, measuring East to West-40 feet and North to South-30 feet, in all measuring 1200Sq.feet, situated at Chinnamma layout, Maruthinagar, Madiwala, Bengaluru, presently comes under the limits of BBMP and bounded on:

East By : Road,
West By : Site No.25,
North By : Site No.18,
South By : Site No.16

My client has lost the Original property documents i.e. Registered Sale Deed bearing Doc No. 4541/1988-89 dated 06.04.1989, and 2601/2002-03 dated 04.09.2002 registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar Jayanagar

The said property is in possession of Mr. Irfan Babu Since from the acquisition he is the absolute owner and free from all encumbrance whatsoever.

My Client had lost the above mentioned Sale deeds Inspite of several efforts the Original deed is not found and he has lodged the police complaint through online dated 11.02.2024, Lost report No. 0926903/2024

If any person found or anyone having any claim or interest over the said property, he/she is requested to forward their claims along with the relevant documents to us within 07 days of this public notice. If we do not receive any claim from any person within 07 days, it will be strictly presumed that this property is absolutely free from any claim or encumbrance and no one has any claim over this property and if any One found the above deed kindly contact below mentioned

**PREMA B DUBAE** - ADVOCATE
FFD VI, 4th Floor, Sampoorna Chambers, Vasavi Temple Road, V.V.Puram Bengluru-560004.
080-42053588/080-42296969

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that **SMT.S.V.LAKSHMAMMA,** W/o B. T. Srinivasa, is the owner of immovable property mentioned in the schedule hereunder and she has lost the original Gift Deed dated 26/06/2004 Document No.11347/2004-05, Book-1, stored in CD No.101, executed by Smt.Hanumakka in favour of her son Sri.B.T. Srinivas registered in the office of sub registrar, Kengeri, In case anybody having any claims or in possession of the said document, shall inform the under singed and handover the same within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice.

**"SCHEDULE PROPERTY** All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property of bearing **Site No.61, Khatha No.44, Old BBMP Khatha No.1630/1432/44 BBMP EPID No.1189302746 comes under the limits of BBMP measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 Feet totally measuring 1200 Square Feet situated at Babasahebrapalya Basaveshwaranagar Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk** and bounded on : **East by :** Property belongs to Doddachannappa, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property belongs to Bettathimmaiah **South by :** Property belongs to Sampulu and Puttaswamappa,

**NAMA AMOGH,** Advocate
No.5, 11th Main Road, Padmanabha Nagar, Bangalore-560070. Cell # 9341401302

## LOSS OF DOCUMENT

My client **Smt. Anusuyamma W/o. Sri. Nagendra Babu, R/a. 3rd Ward, Bharath Nagara, Vijayapura, Bangalore Rural Devanahalli - 562135** had lost the following title Document:

➢ Absolute Sale Deed executed by Sri. S. M. Rajanna in favour of Sri. S. M. Manjunatha registered as document No.1059/2000-01, volume No.1850, Book 1, Pages Nos.102-106, in the office of Sub-Registrar Devanahalli.

If any person finds the aforesaid Original Deeds kindly handover the same to my address mentioned hereunder if any claim, interest and rights over the Schedule Property can file a objection before the below mentioned address or the person within **Seven (07) days** from the date of publication of this notice and the same has been reported to the Concerned Police Station Dated **02-03-2026** bearing No. **2087904.**

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that Piece and Parcel of property bearing Khaneshumari New Katha No. 290/844/3104, old Khaneshumari Katha No. 290/844/3104/2, property No.22-516-26, situated at Vijayapura Town, Sidlagatta Division Road, 1st subdivision, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Ward No.05 measuring East to West: 15 feet and North to South: 30 feet in all measuring 450 Sq. ft., and bounded on:- East by: Property belonged to Marasaiah, West by: Property belonged to Sri. S. M. Ramakrishna, North by: Property belonged to Vishwanatha, South by: TMC Road

**Mohan Ram B R, Advocate**
**No. 7, 5th Main, Meenakshinagar,**
**Kamakshipalya, Bangalore - 560079.**
**Contact No. 8722671564**
**Bengaluru, Date : 02-03-2026**

## BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II (KARNATAKA)

FOURTH FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE BUILDING, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU — 560 001

**O.A. No. 1143 OF 2024**

**BETWEEN:**

**HDFC Bank Ltd.** (Formerly HDFC Ltd.)
Having office at: H.D.F.C. House, No. 51, Kasturba Road, Bengaluru 560 001.
**... APPLICANT**

**:: AND ::**

**Mr. Harinath Chowdhary S/o. Chalapathi Vurivaldi,** Aged about 41 years. Currently Residing At: No.22, 3rd Floor, Manjunatha Reddy Layout, Near Siva Temple, Maruthinagar, Bengaluru — 560 068.
**Working at:** CGI Tower 2, Department IT
**Employee ID:** 137296 E-City Software Park, Electronic city Ph-1, Bengaluru — 560 100
**Property Address:** Plot No.1073 (Block A), layout AECS, Hosur Road, Village Singasandra, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru — 560 068
**... DEFENDANT**

**NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES,1993**

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Original Application under Section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against you for recovery of debts of Rs.43,37,554/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Four Only) together with current and future Interest and other relief's. The above Defendant is therefore, hereby directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before the Hon'ble Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **27th March 2026 at 10:30 a.m.,** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take Notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Hon'ble Tribunal on this day 19 of February 2026.

BY THE ORDER OF THE
**Sd/- REGISTRAR**
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
BANGALORE

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to General Public that my client Sri. C. V. Kasthuri Rangan, presently residing at Bangalore, has lost the last two pages (page nos. 09 and 10) of original sale deed dated 26/12/2002, executed by Sri. Gangaiah, Sri. Chikkahanumanthaiah and Sri. Chikkamariyappa, represented by their GPA Holder, Smt. Jayarangama, in favour of Sri. C. V. Kasthuri Rangan, registered as document no. 21122/2002-2003, Book I, Stored in CD No. 101, on 28/12/2002, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Bangalore North Taluk, with respect to selling the Northern portion of Site No. 35, formed out of Sy. no. 48 and 49, measuring 600 Sq., ft., which is morefully described in the schedule below.

If found inform to Smt. B. Mallika, Advocate, whose address is mentioned as below, within eight days from the date of publication.

Description of the Property/ Schedule Property.

All that piece and parcel of Northern portion of Vacant immovable property bearing Site no. 35, formed out of Sy. Nos. 48 and 49, Situated at Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Presently comes under the limits of BBMP, Ward No. 73, Kottigepalya, bearing Khatha no. 48 and 49, bearing New E-PID No. 2622127527, Site measuring East to West : 25-0 feet and North to South : 24-0 feet, in all measuring 600 Sq., ft., and bounded on :

Boundaries:-
East : Site No. 21 and 22;
West : Remaining portion of same site; North : Road;
South : Site No. 35.

**MALLIKA.B Advocate**
No.19, Ground Floor,
1st 'E' Cross, J. S. Nagar,
Nandinilayout,
Bangalore-560096 Ph: 9742658187

## IN THE COURT OF THE LXII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-63)

O.S. NO. 5852/2023

Between:
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited, having its registered office at, Landmark, Race-Course Circle, Vadodara-390007, having its head office at and Zonal office at: 4/10, My three Tower, Bommanahalli, Hosur Main Road, Bengaluru-560068 through its Authorised representative Mr. Harish E. ...Plaintiff
Mr. Gururaj S. Shetti ....Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Defendant:
Mr. Gururaj S Shetti, S/o. Shankar Shetti, Aged About 30 Years, R/at. Tayi Homes, Door No.6, 5, 3rd A Main, Jakkasandra, Teachers Colony, Near Ayyappa Swamy Temple, Bangalore-560034.

Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit for recovery of money for sum of Rs. Rs. 8,34,383.22/-along with interest at the rate of 24% P.A. against you, and you are summoned to appear before the LXII Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge at Bengaluru (C.C.H- 63), in person or by a pleader, on the 15th day of April, 2026 at 11:00 AM to answer the claim, failing to which the suit would be disposed of Ex-Parte.
Given under my hand and seal of the court on this the 26th day of Feb 2026 at Bangalore.

By order of the Court,
Assistant Registrar,
Hon'ble City Civil Court,
Bengaluru.

Advocate for Plaintiff
B.S. Jeevan Kumar
Vidhii Partners,
Advocates,
No. 701, Queens Corner 'A',
#3, Queens Road, Bengaluru-01.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client is desirous of purchasing of a Residential Site bearing No.24, BDA Khata No.BDA/RO(S)Doddabele-24/16-17 and Panchayat Khata PID No.150200302600221106, measuring East to West 12.19 Mtrs. and North to South 9.14 Mtrs. in all admeasuring 111.41 Sq. Mtrs, carved out of converted land bearing Sy. No.36 measuring 3 acres 30 guntas, converted for residential use vide Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN(S)SR:(K.H3):29/11-12 dated 16.09.2011 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bengaluru, comprising in the composite residential layout known & called as 'GOLDEN THRESHOLD', approved by BDA (Bengaluru Development Authority) vide Official Memorandum bearing No.BDA/TPM/PRL-36/6861/2013-14 and released for registration under 3rd & Final Release Order bearing No.BDA/AEE-3(s)AT-1500/2016-17, situated at Doddabele Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, which is morefully described in the Schedule annexed herein under. If any person(s) has/have any right, claim or interest in the said property or any objection whatsoever to the said transaction, he/she/they may communicate the same to the undersigned within 15 days from date of this notice with documentary proof in support thereof, failing which, my client shall assume that there are no such rights, claims, interest (s) or objections and shall proceed to finalize the transaction as advised.

**SCHEDULE**

All that piece and parcel of the vacant Residential Site bearing No.24, BDA Khata No.BDA/RO(S) Doddabele -24/16-17 and Panchayat Khata PID No.150200302600221106, measuring East to West 12.19 Mtrs. and North to South 9.14 Mtrs. in all admeasuring 111.41 Sq. Mtrs, carved on converted land bearing Sy. No.36 measuring 3 acres 30 guntas, converted for residential use vide Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN(S)SR:(K.H3):29/11-12 dated 16.09.2011 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bengaluru, comprising in the composite residential layout known & called as 'GOLDEN THRESHOLD', approved by BDA (Bengaluru Development Authority) vide Official Memorandum bearing No.BDA/TPM/PRL-36/6861/2013-14 and released for registration under 3rd & Final Release Order bearing No.BDA/AEE-3(s)AT-1500/2016-17, situated at Doddabele Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk and bounded on the : **East by :** Site No.15
**West by :** Road
**North by :** Site No.23
**South by :** Site No 25

**Susheel Kumar V. Hadli Advocate**
No.160, Ananta', III Floor, R.T. Nagar Main Road, MLA Layout, Bengaluru – 560032.
Mob : 90193 96200
**Dated :** March 04, 2026

## STATE BANK OF INDIA

**SME BRANCH, KUMARA PARK #20, BADAGUNADU SANGHA ROAD**
**KUMARAPARK WEST BENGALURU – 560 020**
**PH: 080-25943271/73 , E-mail Id: sbi.08577@sbi.co.in**

### DEMAND NOTICE

**NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREIN AFTER CALLED THE 'ACT')**

At the request, The Borrower, has granted by **State Bank of India through its SME Kumara Park Branch, Bangalore,** from time to time, Various credit facility by way of financial assistance against Hypothecated movable Properties creating security interest in favour of the Bank. The Relevant particulars of the said Credit facilities and the security agreement(s) /document(s) executed by borrower are stated in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" respectively to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its Branch as under. The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement / documents & creation of mortgage by way of deposit of the title deeds are also furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/credit facilities have become irregular the debt has been classified as **Non Performing Asset dated: 29.01.2026** in accordance with the directives/guideliness issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. **As the demand notice dated : 24.02.2026** as mentioned below sent by register AD calling upon you, was unserved/ not acknowledged, this notice is now issued to the borrower by the paper publication through Newspapers as per the provisions of the said Act.

**1). Name & Address of the Borrower : M/s: ADR TECHNOLOGIES, Prop: - Smt. Kavitha AS w/o Purushotham HM,** No. 1, 9th main Road, Vidyamanya Nagar West, Andhrahalli Vishwaneedam post, Bengaluru -560091. No, 15/2, 3rd Cross 1st Main Road, Malleswaram, Maruthi Extension, Vaiyalikaval , Bengaluru - 560003

**Liability : Rs. 67,38,042/-** (Rupees Sixty Seven lakh Thirty-Eight Thousand and Forty-Two Only) as on 23.01.2026.

**(DETAILS OF HYPOTHECATED ASSETS/MOVABLE PROPERTIES)**

Current Assets including Stocks, Stocks in trade Receivables, Consumable, stores and spares and entire Current assets of the company mentioned in the Documents (Schedule-B) as per Loan Agreement.

| SL.No. | TYPE OF MODEL/ Machinery / Hypothecated No. Assets | Number of Qty/Others |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | VMC VX-1250 CNC VERTICAL MACHINING Turning CENTER HI CUT 250/500 CONTROL Control system -SIEMENS 828D CONTROLLER | 1.00 Nos |
| 2. | CNC MACHINE MODEL: DX 200-4B | 1.00 Nos |

**Date: 03.03.2026** **Sd/- Chief Manager/Authorised Officer,**
**Place: Bangalore** **State Bank of India,**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

My client, **PRAKASH S,** S/o Srinivasalu, aged about 29 years, residing at No. 10 'E' Street, Jayarajnagar, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008, Karnataka, do hereby solemnly affirm and state on oath as follows: -

1. I state that I am the Great Grandson of late Narasaiah P. and son of Srinivasalu.

2. I further state that, originally property bearing House No.10, E Street, Jayarajnagar, Halasuru, Bengaluru – 560008, measuring East to West 30, North to South 20 total measuring 600 feet, more fully described hereunder and hereafter called as schedule property, the same was acquired by great grandfather late. Narasaiah P, through registered Sale deed dated: 25-01-1975, executed by the Secretary, Corporation of Bengaluru, presently Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), vide registered as Doc. No. 3977/74-75, dated 25/01/1975, at the office of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru.

3. I further state that, after the death of late Narasaiah P, his wife late Venkatamma succeeded to the title of the said schedule property and she executed a registered original Will dated 16/03/1985 in favour of her grandson, who is my father Srinivasalu (grandson of late Narasaiah P and late Venkatamma).

4. I further state that, both the original Sale Deed and Original Will were lost when we are shifting the house from schedule property to new rented house on 27.10.2021 at about 10:00 AM at Halasuru, Bengaluru which is kept in a single file.

5. I further state that, I have made diligent search and efforts to trace the said original sale deed and Will, including searching at my residence, office, and other places where I were last kept, but the same could not be traced despite best efforts.

6. I further state that, in connection I have lodged a e lost complaint on 27/10/2021, before Bengaluru City Police, vide bearing e lost No.0077849/2021.

7. If in case the same is traced by anybody they should handover the same to the undersigned also in case anybody is having any claim. Charge, or interest over the property, they shall lodge their objections with the undersigned **within SEVEN DAYS** from the date of Publication of this Notice.

**SHCEDULE:** All the piece and parcel of residential property bearing **site No. 10, New No. 20 house list katha No. 82-14-10 situated at Jayaraj Nagar, E Street, Hoysala Nagara, Halasuru, Bengaluru, North, Taluk, measuring East -West, 30 feet and North to South 20 feet ends in all measuring 600 ft. along with 600 ft, Mangalore tiles roof area with all civil amenities** and bounded on the: - **EAST BY** : Site No. 27 D Street, **WEST BY** : 20 Feet Road, **NORTH BY** : Site No. 9 E Street, **SOUTH BY** : 20 Feet

**VAKIL LEGAL CHAMBERS**
**ADVOCATES & CONSULTANTS**
No. 54, 2nd Floor, C Leela Prakash Nilaya,
2nd Main Road, Near Vishnu Temple,
Old Madras Road, Benniganahalli, Bengaluru-16.
vikillegalchambers@gmail.com Mb:91 9739894247

## PUBLIC NOTICE

That my client is hereby given to the general public that **Mr. SYED FAZIL AHMED.** S/o Syed Jabbar, Aged about 51 years, R/at No. 16, 3rd Main Road, New Guruppan Palya, Bengaluru-560029, is the absolute owner of the immovable property bearing: Property No. 13, Khatha No.857, Assessment Nos.47/2 & 12/2, having E-Aasthi PID No.6017420036, presently assigned as New Property No. 471/74/2, situated at Kothanur Village, Uttarahalii Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 30.6 feet, totally admeasuring 918 Sq.Feet, bounded on East by: Property No. 14, West by: Property No. 12, North by: Road, South by: Private property, together with all rights, easements and appurtenances thereto. The above property was purchased by the my client under a Registered Sale Deed dated 04.12.2025.

**The previous original Sale Deed standing in the name of Smt. Lakshmamma W/o Armugam, registered as Document No. BNG(U)-KEGR/943/1998-89 dated 19.06.1998 (Sale Deed dated 05.05.1998), has been lost/ misplaced. An E-Loss Complaint No. 2079340/2026 dated 24.06.2026** has been lodged before the Karnataka State Police.

If any person, bank, financial institution, or authority has found the said original Sale Deed or has any claim, right, title, interest, charge or objection in respect of the above said property or document, they are hereby required to intimate the undersigned in writing within **15 days** from the date of publication of this notice, if has not found, It will be strictly presumed that this property is absolutely free form any claim or encumbrance and no one has any claim over this property and if any one found the above deed kindly contact below mentioned.

**SHAIK BABU .S, D. AZHARUDDIN,**
**S.B.S. AND ASSOCIATES**
No. 260, Ground Floor, 1st Main Road,
Chamarajapet, Bengaluru-560018.
Mob. No. 9844784628

## केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government Of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

**ARM-1 Branch,**
**2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,**
**M.G. Road Bengaluru-560001**
**Ph:080-25310066, E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com**

### SALE NOTICE

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable / movable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 23.03.2026 from 10.00 a.m. to 10.30 p.m. [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], for recovery of Rs 1,40,46,104.28/- (Rupees One Crore Fourty Lakhs Fourty Six Thousand One Hundred Four and Paise Twenty Eight Only)** plus further interest thereon from **02.03.2026** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) Mr. D R A Krishana** S/o D Raghunath, # 233,10th B Main, Near Horamavu, Ring Road Signal, Kalyan Nagar, Dodda Banaswadi, Bengaluru North-560043. **(2) Smt. Lakshmi D K** W/o D R A Krishna, # 233, 10th Main, Kalyan Nagar, Dodda Banaswadi, Bengaluru North-560043.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **20.03.2026 - 5.00 pm.**

**(₹.In Lakhs)**

| Lot | Description of the immovable assets: | Reserve Price | EMD | Incremental Value | Inspection date & time |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | The Residential Apartment Flat Bearing No.302, 2nd Floor, **"DEVI GRAND VIEW"** having SBA of 1500 Sqft. Along with right to use common areas and amenities and one car parking with undivided right, title and interest of 279.00 Sq. Ft. of property. situated at J P Nagar, Phase-7, Puttenahalli Ward-187, Sarakkikere village, Uttara Halli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk. East: Private property, West: Road, North: Site No:19, South:-By Private Property. **Coordinates of the described property: 12.53568 N 77.34585 E** | **Rs. 52.50** | **Rs. 5.25** | **Rs. 1.00** | **18.03.2026 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM. with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer** |

**Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.**
**For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, (Ph. No. 9439058121 and 9483544116) during office hours on any working day.**

**Date : 03.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
**Place: Bengaluru** **Canara Bank**

## SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

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**Details of the Tender Notices of S.C Railway can be seen on our website: www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in**

**NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER (through https://ireps.gov.in)**

PUB/2036

CE/C-III/SC Construction Organisation, S.C.Railway, Secunderabad, respectively, invites e-tender on behalf of the President of India for the following works:

**SNo** 1 **NIT No** PMS-02-CAO- C-SC-2026 Date: 20/02/2026 **Name of work** South Central Railway- Construction Organization-Appointment of Authority Engineer for providing project Management services (PMS) for the projects of (1) Tripling between Gudur and Renigunta stations (2) Doubling between Tirupati and Katpadi stations and (3) Bypass line between Yerpedu and Pudi stations in Guntakal division of South Central Railway for a period of 60 months. **Details Estimated Cost:** Rs. 58,88,91,200.00 **EMD:** Rs. 30,94,500.00 **Completion Period:** 60 (Sixty) Months. **Date of Opening:** 20/03/2026 15:00hrs.

**SNo** 2 **NIT No** EPC-04-CAO- C-SC-2026 Date: 25/02/2026 **Name of work** South Central Railway (Construction Organization)- Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Contract for Doubling of Track between Nadikude station & Bellamkonda station including Electrification & Signaling works in connection with Doubling of Guntur-Bibinagar section and provision of Auto Fault Locator at TSS/SP/SSPs between Kukkadam-Nadikude section in the State of Andhra Pradesh. **Details Estimated Cost:** Rs. 471,80,30,323.30 **EMD:** Rs. 200,00,000.00 **Completion Period:** 24 (Twenty Four) Months. **Date of Opening:** 29/04/2026 15:00hrs.

i) For bid document and other details, please login to website **https://ireps.gov.in.** ii) Tenderers can submit their offers online during tender submission period which is the Fifteen days period prior to closing of tender. iii) Tenderers should watch for any corrigenda (issued online only) up to the date of commencement of the tender submission period.

**Chief Administrative Officer/**
A2584 **Construction/Secunderabad**

**For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in**

## BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BANGALORE

**Case No: T.A. 11/2025**

HDFC Bank Ltd. ...Applicant
**:V/s:**
**Mohamed Bakthiar Ahmed and Anr.**
...Defendant

**SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANT UNDER RULE 23 (Viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION**

**To,**

**1. Mr. Mohamed Bakthiar Ahmed**
No. 373, Ground Floor, 12th Cross, Pillana Garden III Stage, Bengaluru - 560045.
**Also at:** Flat No. CB-11-09, Floor-11, Block-B Plot, Sy. No. 67/1 & 67/2, Dasarahalli Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bengaluru East - 560016.

**2. M/s. KSR Properties Pvt. Ltd.**
Rep. by its Managing Director
Corporate Office at: No. 23, Sankey Square, Sankey road, Tower Palace Orchads, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru - 560 003.
**Also at:** Rep. by its Managing Director
Registered Office at: Flat No. 401, 272/3, RT Padmaja Apartments, Beside Axis Bank, S R Nagar, Hyderabad - 500 038

WHEREAS: the applicant has instituted an application / Interlocutoary application under section 19 (1) of Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the Defendants for the recovery of a sum of **Rs. 33,78,820/- (Rupees Thirty-three Lakhs Seventy-eight Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Only)** with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons on or before **20.04.2026 at 10.30 AM** in the forenoon in person or by pleader / Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application / interlocutory application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this 19-02-2026.

**Signature of the Officer**
**(Authorized to issue Summons)**
**DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL II**
**BENGALURU**

## CHOLAMANDALAM INVESTMENT AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

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**Corporate Office: " CHOLA CREST " C 54 & 55, Super B – 4,**
**Thiru Vi Ka Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600032.**
**Branch : Municipal No. 45, (Old Nos. 45 and 45-1),**
**2nd Floor, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore - 560027.**

### POSSESSION NOTICE UNDER RULE 8 (1) (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 hereinafter called the Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13[12] read with Rules 3 of the Security Interest [Enforcement] Rules, 2002 issued demand notice calling upon the borrowers, whose names have been indicated in Column [B] below on dates specified in Column [C] to repay the outstanding amount indicated in Column [D] below with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken **symbolic possession** of the properties mortgaged with the Company described in Column [E] herein below on
the respective dates mentioned in Column [F] in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13[4] of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Rules made there under.The borrowers in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned in Column [E] below and any such dealings will be subject to the charge of **M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited** for an amount mentioned in Column [D] along with interest and other charges.
Under section 13 [8] of the Securitisation Act, the borrowers can redeem the secured asset by payment of the entire outstandingincluding all costs, charges and expenses before notification of sale.

| Sl. No. | Loan A/c. Name & Address of Borrower | Date of Demand notice | Outstanding Amount | Date of Possession |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | **Loan A/c No. : HE01ALO00000041446** **Bangalore Mohanji Rao Suresh,** No. 33/1, Ground Floor, 8th Cross, Lakshmi Narayanapuram, Srirampuram, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560021. **2) Reshma .G,** No. 33/1, Ground Floor, 8Th Cross, Lakshmi Narayanapuram, Srirampuram, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560021. **3) Sri Maruthi Creations,** No. 33/1, Ground Floor, 8Th Cross, Lakshmi Narayanapuram, Srirampuram, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560021. | **08.12.2025** | **Rs. 69,86,410/-** as on 08.12.2025 and interest thereon | **02.03.2026** |

All that piece and parcel of Property Bearing New Municipal No.22, PID No.29-113-22, previously Property No.22, situated at Shankara Devara Galli, 3rd Cross, Manavarthipet, Bangalore, presently within the limits of BBMP, BBMP Ward No.120, and **bounded on : East by :** Property No.21, **West by :** Property No.23, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Property No.24/1. Measuring East to West, 15'02" Feet, and North and South (37'8"+35'8")/2, in all measuring 559.736 Square Feet and along with building constructed thereon.

**Date : 04.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
**Place : Bangalore** **Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited**

## केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

**ARM-1 Branch**
**2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,**
**M.G. Road, Bengaluru-560001.**
**E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com**

### SALE NOTICE

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described movable and immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **24.03.2026 (10.30 AM to 11.00AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 6,02,51,985.46 (Rupees Six Crores Two Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Five and Paise Forty Six Only) as on 01.03.2026** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **(1) Shri Sendhil Elumalai** S/o Elumulai Govindaraj, # 10, O 2nd Street, Near Shree Complex, Shivan Chetty Gardens, Bangalore-560042. **(2) M/s PSB Distributors,** 19/1, Sadashiva Reddy Compound , Behind Baldwin School, R M Nagar Main Road, Banaswadi, Bengaluru-560043. **(3) Shri Sendhil Elumalai,** R/o 401/7, 14th Main, Old Madivala, BTM 1st stage, Bengaluru-560029. **(4) Shri Bhaskar M,** No. 1534, 39th Cross, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560041.

The Earnest Money shall be deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **23.03.2026, 5.00 pm.**

**(₹.In Lakhs)**

| Lot | Description of the immovable assets: | Reserve Price | EMD | Incremental Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Flat No.F-402 3rd floor F block, Sy No.108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. Boundries: North: open to sky of the apartment building, South: Common corridor, East: open to sky of the apartment building, West: Residential apartment privately numbered as F-401. **Coordinates of the property: Latitude-12.8053267N, Longitude- 77.6770091.** | **₹. 40.00** | **₹. 4.00** | **₹. 1.00** |
| 2 | Flat No. F-403 3rd floor F block, Sy No.108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sq ft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. Boundries: North: common corridor, South: open to sky of the apartment building, East: open to sky of the apartment building, West: Residential apartment privately numbered as F-404. **Coordinates of the property: Latitude-12.8053267N, Longitude-77.6770091.** | **₹. 40.00** | **₹. 4.00** | **₹. 1.00** |
| 3 | Flat No. F-404 3rd floor F block, Sy No.108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. Boundries: North: common corridor, South: open to sky of the apartment building, East: Residential apartment privately numbered as F-403, West: Lift area. **Coordinates of the property: Latitude- 12.8053267N, Longitude- 77.6770091.** | **₹. 40.00** | **₹. 4.00** | **₹. 1.00** |
| 4 | Residential Villa old: property bearing Sy No.119/2 panchayat khatha 92/180 S Medahalli village Sarjapur Hobli Anekal Taluk Bangalore. New: Property bearing Villa No.180/6A Sarjapur Athipalli cross road Sarjapur Bangalore 562124, Extent 3841.66 Sqft. Boundries: North-Road, South- property bearing Sy No.117, East-property bearing Sy No.119/1, West- property bearing Sy No.119/3. **Coordinates of the property, Latitude- 12.834639, Longitude- 77.780889** | **₹. 222.00** | **₹. 22.20** | **1.00** |

**Known encumbrances, if any:** Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
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**Date : 02.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
**Place: Bengaluru** **Canara Bank**

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| Lot | Description of the immovable/ movable assets | Reserve Price | EMD | Incremental value |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : (Description of entire Property) :** All that piece and parcel of the converted land bearing survey No.42/1, with Khata No.285/189/1, measuring 1 acre and 10 guntas (out of the total extent of 1 acre and 18 guntas) situated at Chikkasanne Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore rural district and converted for residential purposes vide Official Memorandum AALN (S) SR.82/2003-04 dated 12 April 2004 and **bounded as follows : East by :** Land belonging to Sri.Narayanappa, **West by :** Land belonging to Gundu Topu, **North by :** Sanni Ammanikere Channel, **South by :** Doddasanne Road. **SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : (undivided share in the land) :** 0.89% undivided share equivalent to 488Sq.ft right and interest in the Schedule - A property mentioned above with right to construct apartment No.B -105 on the First floor measuring super built up area of 1051 sq.ft of the building complex called "SKYGOLD JEEVANKEERTHI COMMANDERS AEROVIEW", for a consideration of Rs.75,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five lakhs only). **SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : (Description of Mortgaged Property) :** Apartment No.B-105 on First floor of the building of "SKYGOLD JEEVANKEERTHI COMMANDERS AEROVIEW", having E khatha No. 150300201901021350 apartment measuring 1051 sq.ft super built up area one covered car park and **bounded on : East by :** Passage & Flat No.B-104, **West by :** Set Back and drive way, **North by :** Set Back & Flat No B - 106, **South by :** Set Back and drive way. **Coordinates of the property** **Latitude- 13.230131** **Longitude- 77.692952** | **Rs. 50.00** | **Rs. 5.00** | **Rs. 1.00** |

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**Date: 03.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised Offier**
**Place: Bangalore** **Canara Bank**

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| Specification No. | Tender Inviting Authority | Name of Work |
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| SE / PD&C / OT- 02 / 2025-26 | CE / HYDRO | Request for Proposal (RFP) for Selection of Developer for "1000 MW / 6000 MWh Velimalai Pumped Storage Hydro - Electric Project in Kanyakumari District" under Ministry of Power Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) Guidelines (Section 63) through Public - Private Partnership Mode (PPP) on Build - Own - Operate - Transfer (BOOT) |

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**A/C: No. 43849974219/DRS**

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of the **STATE BANK OF INDIA, Retail Assets Central Processing Centre Shankarapuram, Bangalore,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 Issued a **Demand Notice dated:08.12.2025 & Published in Newspaper on 31.12.2025** calling upon the **Borrowers : 1. Mr. Mohammad Nazeem S/o Abdul Razak K, Res@ No. 3-27,** YES YES Cottage Polya House Kabaka post, Puttur Village, Mangalore Dakshina kannada, Karnataka - 574220, **2. Mr. K. ABDUL RAZAK S/o ISMAIL,** Res@ No. 3-27, YES YES MANZIL, Polya House Kabaka post, Puttur Kabaka, Puttur Dakshina kannada, Karnataka 574220, **3. Mr. Nizamuddin Khalandar S/o Abdul Razak K, a)** Rea@ No. 254, Doddamma Lay out Hulimavu, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru South-560076, **b)** FLAT No. 102, 2nd Floor, "ABHINAY LAKE FRONT"" NO. 7, Gidadakonenahalli Near Poorna Chandra D Group Badavane, Ward No. 72, Muddina Palya, Vishwaneedam post Bengaluru North, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 2,11,38,158/- (Rupees Two Crore Eleven Lakh Thirty-eight Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-eight Only) )** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the **undersigned has taken possession of the property** described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub of Section 4 of Section, 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on this. **03.03.2026**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount **Rs.2,15,59,675/- as on 02.03.2026 and interest from 02.03.2026** and charges thereon, till the realization of the dues. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of, time available to redeem the secured Assets.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:- SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the Site bearing No. 7, Katha No. 551/7, New E.P.I.D- No. 4412783915, situated at Gidadakonenahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Presently known as Muneshwara Nagar, Near Purnachandra D Group Badavane, Ward No. 72, Muddinapalya Off 60 Feet Road, Vishwaneedam Post, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 65 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, Total measuring 2600Sq.feet and bounded on: **East by:**30 Feet Road, **West by:** Vishveswaraiah Layout, **North by :** Site No.6, **South by:** Site No. 8.

**SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY**

520 Square Feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned Schedule 'A' above.

**SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY**

Flat No. 102, in 2nd Floor, measuring 2450.00 Square Feet super built-up area, containing Three Bedrooms, with RCC Roofing Granite Flooring including proportionate share Common areas, such as passages, lobbies, staircase, Lift etc. And also, right to use Party Hall/Club House constructed on Terrace Floor, and Two covered Car parking space Basement Floor, in the residential building known as ABHINAY LAKE FRONT constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property.

**Place : Bangalore** **Sd/- Authorised Officer, STATE BANK OF INDIA**
**Date :** *03.03.2026*

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# Will & skill: Jacks turns into England's all-round monster

GOMESH S @Mumbai

WILL Jacks and Eminem. Confused? What could the English all-rounder and the American rapper have in common? Post the tour Down Under, Jacks has been sporting a significantly short, bleached-blonde hairstyle, leading to comparisons with the songwriter.

The resemblance was so uncanny that his teammates have been pulling his leg to rap and perform Eminen songs calling him Slim Shady. One such Eminem song, titled Without Me, goes "I've created a monster; 'Cause nobody wants to see Marshall no more; They want Shady." Marshall is the given name of the rapper, while Eminem created an alter ego called Slim Shady as a creative outlet. While it is not clear to what extent he can pull off an Eminem rap, Jacks has become a monster on the field. In the seven matches so far, he has smashed 191 runs at a strike rate of 176.85 apart from taking seven wickets. He has done so while batting in the lower-order.

Watching Jacks own the big stage from afar, Surrey head coach Gareth Batty is a happy man. After all, it was Batty who took a punt with his off-spin for Surrey four years ago. At the time, the key objective was to get the youngster in the XI. Jacks, all of 23 then, was already known as one for the future. Growing up through the Surrey academy, he was always seen as one. And it was not without merit. By then, Jacks had already featured in multiple short form leagues across the world. "I think my assessment was that he was a batter, first and foremost," Batty told this daily from London. "All that we tried to create here was that he got a game and played. And it looked strange at times that he was batting at No 7 and even No 8 when we had Sam Curran around and Colin de Grandhomme and Jamie Overton. We had a mammoth batting lineup. But it was just the conversation, 'Look, you're better off playing than not. Let's try to afford you an opportunity wherever humanly possible'. Knowing that a player can learn, but also the skill that he has and the capacity to take it forward. You certainly had a good feeling about where his future could lie if he could keep on the right path and keep moving his skill set forward. So it was a no-brainer."

Will Jacks has collected four Player of the Match awards so far | AFP

Even then, the road wasn't straightforward. Jacks, while continuing to grow as a white-ball cricketer, lost his central contract with the England Cricket Board in 2023 and missed the ODI World Cup. But, as he has done all through his life, Jacks kept at it. "He did what all good players do. You look at the disappointment. And there are two ways to go. You either feel sorry for yourself and wallow in that self-pity. Or you go, 'well, I'm going to make sure it is impossible not to give me a central contract or not to pick me in that squad'. And that is all that a coach can try and create. But ultimately, the players make that decision.

"They go, 'No, I'm not going to be the person that goes left. I'm going to turn right. I'm going to get the work done. I am going to put in the performance. And I'm going to keep pushing and moving my career forward'. Is it always possible? No. But if it was always possible, we would win every trophy going, which (even if) we do all right, but we don't win everything," the former off-spinner said. One of the aspects of Jacks' evolution as a cricketer is his ability to learn from the experience he has had all over the world in franchise leagues.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

## BATTLE FOR SUPREMACY

**PERENNIAL SEMIFINALISTS BUT STILL SEARCHING FOR THEIR FIRST WHITE-BALL WORLD TITLE. A LOOK AT THE SEMIFINAL BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND NEW ZEALAND.**

### Markram at the top

This is the new Aiden Markram. Markram the batter has always had the talent but he hadn't necessarily married it with execution. But a freer version of him has set the stage alight thanks clarity of mind and thought.

### New Zealand's openers on top

Explosive opening pair Tim Seifert and Finn Allen can sometimes be a hit and miss. Can they find their mojo against SA's attack?

### Santner's control

In the by-gone era of left-arm spinners Mitchell Santner stays relevant because of his angles, speed and usage of crease

### Weather conditions

The maximum day time temperature will be 33*c. There may be some dew post 7 PM.

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# CORBIN, BOSCH OF DEATH OVERS

Pacer is master with ball to close out games

FIROZ MIRZA @ Kolkata

SOUTH Africa are the only team to have entered the last four unconquered. In a tournament generally dominated by batters, the South African pacers have stood out so far. The quartet of Lungi Ngidi, Kagiso Rabada, Marco Jansen and Corbin Bosch have not only delivered wickets at regular intervals but also prevented opponents from running away with the game. Fittingly enough, in all the group-stage matches South Africa played, one of their pacers was adjudged Player of the Match with Ngidi bagging the trophy twice.

Captain Aiden Markram should also be credited as he was the who used these fast bowlers to the best of their potential. All these pacers bowled in tandem, especially in the death overs, to keep things under control, be it the first innings or the second innings of the match. And Bosch has been a go-to bowler for Markram between the 17 to 20 overs.

The 31-year-old pacer has bowled at least one over in that period, picking five wickets from eight overs. In fact, Bosch has the best economy of 6.2 runs per over in the death overs among the bowlers who have bowled 30-plus balls in the tournament during that phase. India's Arshdeep Singh and Jasprit Bumrah are second and third respectively with an economy of 6.8 and 7.6. Overall, Bosch has claimed 10 wickets during that phase from 17 innings with an impressive economy of 7.45. Bosch was teammate of Markram, Rabada and Jason Smith when South Africa won the 2014 U19 world title, the country's only ICC white-ball World Cup glory across all men's categories.

Things went south since then for the pace-bowling all-rounder even as his teammates Rabada and Markram made their way to the senior side. But Bosch stood tall and unfazed. Having grown up in the shadow of a personal tragedy where he lost his father Tertius, also a pacer who represented South Africa in one Test and two ODIs, under mysterious circumstances, the long wait and subsequent toil in domestic circuit meant nothing for Bosch. Earlier it was thought that Tertius died of a rare viral infection but 18 months later, his body was exhumed and autopsy suggested that he might have been poisoned. Bosch was only five.

The incident of such magnitude could have broken anyone but not Bosch. He progressed by leaps and bounds and soon found himself representing the team in the U19 World Cup. But as his teammates graduated to the senior set up in front of him, he decided to add a few more skills to his game and move to Australia in 2016 and add pace to his bowling. He returned a year later and was prevented from going Down Under once by coaches saying his day would come. The wait was worth it as got opportunities with SA20 and Caribbean Premier League in 2022.

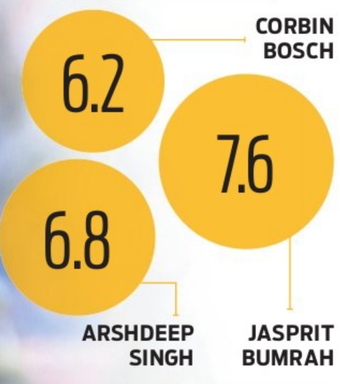
The day he dreamed of finally arrived when he made his international debut against Pakistan in an ODI at Johannesburg with none other than Markram handing him the cap. A few days later, he made his Test debut with his first T20I coming a few months later. Since then, he has been an integral part of the team. "Bosch has a really, really good yorker, and it's something he takes a lot of pride in and has put a lot of work into it to get that role," Markram said.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

**BEST IN DEATH OVERS THIS WC**

(17-20 overs with 30 plus balls)

BOWLER ECONOMY




**BOSCH'S SHOW BETWEEN 17 AND 20 OVS**

**GROUP STAGE**

Vs Canada
Bowled 17th over giving away 8 runs
Bowled 20th over giving away 6 runs and picked 1 wicket

Vs New Zealand
Bowled 17th over giving away 4 runs and picked 1 wicket
Bowled 20th over giving away 10 runs

Vs UAE
Bowled 20th over giving away 4 runs and picked 1 wicket (Won MoM)

**SUPER EIGHTS**

vs India
Bowled 17th over giving away one run

Vs WI
Bowled 20th over giving away 8 runs and picked one wicket

Vs Zim
Bowled 20th over giving away 10 runs and picked one wicket

# Time for Surya to join party at the Wankhede

GOMESH S @Mumbai

IT was close to 7.30 PM at the Wankhede Stadium. India head coach Gautam Gambhir was already on the pitch that is set to be used for the semifinal clash against England on Thursday, having a chat with the curator. And soon he was joined by the local lad and captain Suryakumar Yadav. The pitch has been used twice before — West Indies vs England and Italy vs Nepal — in the tournament.

Surya and the coach chatted with the curators for a while before going through their warm-ups. Soon, Ishan Kishan, Tilak Varma and Hardik Pandya entered the nets as Surya watched from behind, fully padded up. After Varma finished his first stint, Surya took guard in the nets where spinners were on.

His first ball, against a net bowler, was a full-blooded sweep across the line. In a net where Axar Patel, Abhishek Sharma, Washington Sundar, Kuldeep Yadav and Varun Chakravarthy were bowling, Surya tried to get under the length of every spinner and take them on. He swept, lapped, lofted, and tonked every possible chance he got and looked in good rhythm. It is something he has struggled with throughout the T20 World Cup campaign, barring the first match against the USA.

In the seven matches since the unbeaten 84 on February 8, Surya has 148 runs to show for at 21.14 average and 122.31 strike rate. His struggle, though, did not cost the team as much, was visible every time Surya was in the middle with Tilak, struggling to get going. Even during the must-win clash against West Indies, Surya could only manage 18 from 16 balls before eventually getting out.However, contrary to the way he has batted through the World Cup, Surya seemed confident in the nets on Tuesday at Wankhede.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

**MATCH-UPS**

### NZ's middle-order vs. Ngidi/ Bosch

The Black Caps' middle-order have not made a lot of runs. Considering they may at least five overs of Bosch and Ngidi, they will have to buck that trend on Wednesday.

### SA leader in six-hitting

This is partly because South Africa have not played in the larger grounds in Sri Lanka. Saying that, they have 62 sixes compared to Kiwis' 47.

# Unbeaten South Africa have edge, New Zealand spunk

FIROZ MIRZA @ Kolkata

AS winter gives way to summer, the weather is slowly changing in this part of the country. The cool air in the morning turns warm as day passes with sun beating down, raising the temperature beyond 30 degree celsius. Though it is still comfortable, especially in the shades, signs of pre-summer cannot go unnoticed.

As evening settled over Eden Gardens on Tuesday and the floodlights started glowing, the temperature dipped. A few 100 metres away, Hooghly was flowing majestically. On Wednesday, heat will rise in the evening when South Africa and New Zealand meet in the first semifinal of the T20 World Cup here.

The Proteas are the only unbeaten side so far and even got the better of the Kiwis in the group stage. More importantly they seem to be a well-oiled engine and the conditions here suit them better. If they win, this will be their second consecutive final in WC. Considered a high-scoring venue where average score is around 180, teams prefer to chase. India chased 196 with ease against the West Indies with Sanju Samson remaining unbeaten on 97. However, the aspect that can favour Aiden Markram and Co is initial help to pacers from the wicket. The fast bowlers historically have more success at the venue than spinners and South Africa pace battery comprising Lungi Ngidi, Kagiso Rabada, Marco Jansen and Corbin Bosch are in form of their life. New Zealand too have perfect foil in pacers like in-form Matt Henry, who is expected to join the team by Tuesday night and Lockie Ferguson but none of them managed to reach the double-figure mark yet even as Ngidi, Jansen and Bosch have 10 plus wickets against their respective names.

South Africa players at practice | AFP

Full story: newindianexpress.com

# '5 RCB matches, IPL playoff & final in B'luru'

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

GOOD news for all Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) fans. After days of speculations and dilly-dallying, RCB confirmed on Tuesday that it will return to the M Chinnaswamy Stadium for the 2026 IPL season.

To put the icing on the cake, the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) announced that the fabled venue will host this season's final, in addition to a playoff match. The defending champions will play five home matches in Bengaluru and two home games in Raipur. "The first match, five league games, one play-off game and the final. That is what the BCCI has committed to us. And probably they will announce their schedule shortly," KSCA Secretary Santosh Menon told in a press conference on Tuesday. However, whether RCB play their home games first in Bengaluru or Raipur is yet to be decided. "In fact, I was trying to clarify the same thing with the RCB officials when we had a meeting. We are going to wait for the schedule," KSCA president Venkatesh Prasad said.

Venkatesh Prasad | VINOD KUMAR T

Full story: newindianexpress.com

# Hope it's first & last time: Sindhu on Dubai ordeal

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

JUST as Lakshya Sen was gradually getting the better of World No 1 Shi Yu Qi in the first round of the All England Open on Tuesday, former world champion PV Sindhu was recalling the harrowing days she faced in Dubai. After being stuck due to the ongoing West Asia turmoil, the ace shuttler was in a state of helplessness as chaos ensued around her. Badminton had taken a back seat and hers and her support staff's safety had taken precedence. Despite support from various quarters, her chances of participating in the All England grew thinner and thinner before she was eventually forced to pull out. However, she, clearly shaken by the incident, is just grateful to be safe and sound after reaching Bengaluru on Tuesday.

In an interaction facilitated by SAI, Sindhu recounted the terrifying moments she encountered during her time in Dubai. "Initially, when they announced that the flight was suspended, we were at the airport. There was no clarity and the airport staff kept us waiting for a couple of hours. Finally, they said the airspace is closed. They said they'll take us to the transit hotel. The whole process took a lot of time. Almost all the flights got cancelled. So, it was chaos," Sindhu recalled.

### Dhruv/Tanisha advance

Aside from Sen, mixed doubles pairing of Dhruv Kapila and Tanisha Crastro also won while Malvika Bansod lost against Chen Yu Fei to crash out. Unnati Hooda, doubles pairing of Treesa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand also lost.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

# AIFF bans fan entry for next Bagan match

ENS @ Chennai

THE Disciplinary committee of the All India Football Federation (AIFF) had ruled that the next home game of Mohun Bagan Super Giants (MBSG) will be played behind closed doors, pertaining to repeated incidents of "spectator misconduct." The defending champions play their home matches at the Vivekananda Yuva Bharati Krirangan in Kolkata.

The committee, which is an independent body headed by a retired Supreme Court judge had pronounced this ruling based on official reports and separate complaint filed by Bengaluru FC, with evidence last year. The complaint stated that "fireworks" were launched into the away section from the home stands, where travelling Bengaluru fans were seated during the match.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

**EXPRESS READ**

### West Indies T20 WC team stranded in India

NEW DELHI: The West Indies cricket team's departure from India after its exit from the T20 World Cup has been delayed owing to international airspace restrictions triggered by the US and Israeli strikes on Iran. Cricket West Indies said it is working closely with the ICC and relevant government authorities for ensure safe travel of the players. Flight operations in the Gulf region are currently suspended.

### Renuka out of Test vs OZ, Kashvee steps in

NEW DELHI: The Indian women's team currently touring Australia suffered a blow on Tuesday with experienced pacer Renuka Singh Thakur ruled out of the one-off Test against the home team due to workload management. Kashvee Gautam has been named as Renuka's replacement, BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia said in a statement. Kashvee was also part of the ODI squad in the ongoing multi-format series.

### Gukesh to face Aravindh in all-Indian match

PRAGUE: Desperately seeking his first victory in the tournament, reigning world champion D Gukesh will take on compatriot Aravindh Chithambaram in the sixth round of the Masters section of the Prague International Chess Festival on Wednesday. With just 1.5 points coming through three draws and a couple of losses, this is another slump for Gukesh that saw him slip to number 17 in the live world rankings.

### Vaishnavi in Indian team for Billie Jean King Cup

NEW DELHI: Promising Vaishnavi Adkar was on Tuesday drafted into the Indian team for the Billie Jean King Cup Asia/Oceania Group I tie, to be held here from April 6. The 21-year-old Adkar recently made history in Bengaluru, becoming the first Indian woman to reach the W100 final since Sania Mirza. Adkar had also bagged the Ahmedabad W15 title in 2024, signalling her steady rise through the ranks.

GROUND ADVANTAGE

## MOON'S FAR SIDE SOIL SUITS LUNAR BASES

A study by researchers from Beihang University in Haidian, Beijing, China, has found that the soil on the far side of the Moon is much better suited to build bases than on that of the near side. They used deep learning and artificial intelligence techniques to study 'digital twins' of the first-ever soil samples brought by Chang'e-6 probe to Earth from the Moon's far side in June 2024.

Researchers unveiled the first high-throughput, non-destructive characterisation of these materials, revealing that the soil on the lunar far side possesses unique physical properties vital for the future lunar bases.

As the samples were considered too precious for any destructive testing, the team used a semi-supervised deep learning framework.

The AI-driven approach processed terabytes of CT scan data to digitally extract 3D models of the particles, overcoming the challenges of separating thousands of tiny, tightly packed grains.

Their analysis revealed that the particles from the lunar far side are much more "rugged" and irregular than samples from the Apollo missions or the Chang'e-5 near-side mission.

With particles having higher internal friction angle and cohesion, the lunar surface on the far side might be now found to provide better structural bearing capacity than previously thought.

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Nirad Mudur

# THE FEED THAT FEEDS ON YOU

TAMREEN SULTANA @ Hyderabad

IT'S is 3 am. The world outside is still. Half-asleep, you reach for your phone on the bedside table. You are not searching for anything in particular, just one last scroll before falling asleep. A laugh. A headline. A video. A comment. The posts blur, yet your thumb keeps moving.

When you finally look up, it is 5 am. The sun is rising. You have 3 hours before your day begins. But have you ever paused to ask why it felt impossible to stop?

Social media does not feel addictive by accident. It is built on optimisation theory, probability, and machine learning models that treat human attention as a variable to be maximised. At its core sits an objective function: maximise engagement, measured through watch time, interaction frequency.

"The algorithm doesn't care why you are watching, whether you're happy or furious; it only cares that you stay. It does not evaluate whether the content is healthy, informative or harmful. It measures interaction signals such as clicks, watch time, shares and comments. If something generates measurable engagement, it is treated as successful," says Samreen, A mathematician and AI research analyst specializing in algorithmic optimisation for AI platforms.

Uncertainty is the hook. Slot machines mastered it; social media digitised it. "What a slot machine really does is bring uncertainty. The algorithm is designed to be glitchy on purpose. It makes 'good stuff' rare and unpredictable, it ensures that your brain never feels 'finished' with the feed and you return," she adds.

This reflects a variable ratio schedule: rewarding posts appear at irregular intervals, keeping anticipation high. Dopamine rises more in expectation than in receipt. The refresh becomes the lever.

Behind the screen, behaviour turns into data. Watch time, pauses, replays, shares and return frequency become weighted inputs. A share may count more than a like. A long pause may signal stronger interest than a tap. In ranking systems, each action feeds an optimisation model. The platform assigns an expected engagement score to possible posts and shows the one with the highest predicted value. Using gradient-based optimisation, it adjusts its parameters to increase time spent or likelihood of return.

The system forecasts what you are most likely to engage with, tests that prediction, and updates itself accordingly. Correct predictions are reinforced; errors are reduced. This is reinforcement learning in motion — predict, measure, refine. Personalisation happens quickly. Ten to 20 interactions can begin shaping your feed. Around 100 can stabilise it.

Under the hood, collaborative filtering and content-based filtering map preferences using linear algebra and statistics. Matrix factorisation decomposes vast user–content datasets into hidden taste vectors. "You can compare it with a big Sudoku puzzle. The row of the matrix corresponds to every user and every column is a post. This is how the missing blocks get filled," Samreen explains. Cosine similarity measures the angle between interest vectors. If users with patterns similar to yours fall into a certain stream, the model infers you might too. Tim Kendall, former president of Pinterest, summarised the industry's objective in the documentary *The Social Dilemma*: "Let's figure out how to get as much of this person's attention as we possibly can. How much time can we get you to spend? How much of your life can we get you to give to us?"

The feed never ends because the design removed the end. Infinite scroll erases boundaries. Fewer stopping cues increase the likelihood that another engaging post appears before you pause.

When optimisation focuses purely on engagement, familiarity becomes statistically safer than diversity. As the model gains confidence about what holds you, your feed narrows.

The more you engage with a type of content, the more of it you see, not by decree, but because similarity is easier to predict and more reliable for sustaining attention.

### THE MATH BEHIND SCROLLING

**Variable rewards**
- Rewards do not appear every time you scroll
- High-engagement content appears unpredictably
- Intermittent reinforcement strengthens repeated behaviour
- Dopamine supports reward anticipation and learning

**Algorithmic personalisation**
- Every click and pause becomes data
- Models track watch time, shares and return frequency
- Collaborative filtering compares you with similar users
- Matrix factorisation detects hidden preference patterns
- The feed adapts to your past behaviour

**Maximising time spent**
- Platforms optimise for engagement metrics
- Watch time and return visits are key signals
- Models update predictions continuously
- Ranking improves through gradient-based optimisation

**No stopping cues**
- Infinite scroll removes natural endings
- Autoplay reduces decision friction
- Fewer pauses increase session length

**Emotional amplification**
- High-arousal content often drives more interaction
- Algorithms reward measurable engagement
- The system tracks behaviour, not emotional impact

**Reinforcement learning**

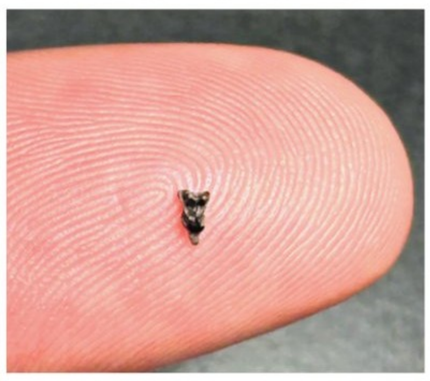
The system predicts what you will engage with. It tests new content and measures your response. Correct predictions are reinforced. Prediction errors are reduced over time

## WHAT'S NEW? 'DRUNK' PHOTONS & DISTANT RELATIVES

### *Light mimics quantum Hall effect*

SCIENTISTS have demonstrated that light can mimic the quantum Hall effect, drifting sideways in precise, quantised steps once thought exclusive to electrons. This could create new ultra-precise optical measurement standards and advance quantum photonic technologies, potentially enabling more robust quantum computers.

### *Tiny teeth reveal primate ancestor*



TINY fossil teeth discovered in Colorado's Denver Basin reveal the southernmost remains of Purgatorius, the earliest known primate relative. The find suggests these tree-dwelling mammals spread south soon after the dinosaur extinction, reshaping understanding of early primate evolution.

## XPRESS FOCUS

# Navami Builders: Three decades of building homes on trust, ethics, and quality

In a real estate market often dominated by scale, speed, and speculation, Navami Builders & Developers Pvt. Ltd. has quietly carved a reputation rooted in ethics, affordability, and engineering integrity. With over three decades of experience and nearly 10 million square feet of built up space delivered across about 50 projects, the Bengaluru based company represents a distinctly value driven approach to urban housing.

At the centre of this journey is D. Raghu, Managing Director and a qualified civil engineer, whose career began not with ambition for scale but with a simple resolve to build honestly. In 1989, he founded M/s Contech Engineers and Contractors as a proprietary concern, taking on sophisticated construction and engineering assignments. Four years later, in 1993, his wife Suman Raghu, herself a qualified civil engineer with a postgraduate degree, joined the venture.

The turning point came in 2004, when the couple established M/s Aditya Builders and Developers as a partnership firm. Operating under the brand name Navami, a name drawn from Raghu's belief in the number nine and its symbolic resonance, the firm steadily delivered residential projects across Bengaluru. By focusing on affordable housing without compromising on construction standards, Navami gained trust among first time homebuyers, many of whom were investing their lifetime savings.

"Every house we build represents someone's dream," Ravi says. "If that trust is broken, the damage is not financial alone but it is truly emotional."

In 2013, the founders consolidated their work under Navami Builders & Developers Pvt. Ltd., expanding operations while retaining hands on involvement in project execution. Today, the company is led by a family managed board that includes Ravi D, Aditya Raghu, and Suman Raghu, with Raghu continuing to personally oversee construction quality, supported by in house civil, structural, legal, and marketing teams.

Unlike developers who outsource critical functions, Navami's leadership insists on direct engineering supervision. "Being civil engineers ourselves allows us to understand every technical detail that is from soil conditions to material strength," Ravi D explains. "That is non negotiable for us."

Affordability remains a defining feature of the company's portfolio. While projects are positioned in well-connected urban locations, the emphasis is on delivering value rather than maximising margins. "Even if I earn less but sleep peacefully at night, that matters more," Ravi says. "We pay our suppliers on time, we pay our taxes, and we don't cut corners."

This ethical stance has translated into long term credibility. Suppliers continue to extend material support even in the founders' absence, and customers often come through word of mouth rather than advertising. One such buyer, IT architect Jayaprakash Sekar, describes Navami as "one of the best builders in Bengaluru," citing smooth handovers, cooperative teams, strong construction quality, and reasonable pricing.

Navami's approach also extends to sustainability. In an era where Bengaluru is increasingly described as a concrete jungle, the company restricts construction to about 25 per cent of land area, leaving the rest as open space. Rainwater harvesting, sewage treatment plants, and recycled water usage for landscaping are standard features across projects. "Buildings need lung space," Ravi notes. "Greenery is not optional but it is essential."

The company is now preparing to expand into farmland and plotted developments, creating ecosystems that rely on renewable materials and natural resource management. "Sustainability is our next chapter," Aditya Raghu says. "We want to develop land responsibly, not exploit it."

Navami's growth, however, has not been without challenges. The leadership has highlighted certain aspects of Karnataka's regulatory environment that could benefit from further alignment with evolving market dynamics. Ravi D notes that housing policies could be further modernized, particularly with regard to multiple clearances, FAR considerations and the need for a more streamlined single window system. While the company strongly supports regulatory safeguards such as RERA, it believes that enhancing ease of doing business would further strengthen the sector's long term growth potential.

Despite this, Navami has steadily expanded beyond Karnataka, with projects underway or planned in Dubai, Kuwait, and Oman marking its first steps into overseas markets.

Financially, the company maintains a conservative profile, with an annual turnover in crores. "We don't chase numbers," Ravi says simply. "Our parents taught us that justice, morality and peace of mind matter more than wealth."

In a sector often defined by volatility, Navami Builders stands as a reminder that consistency, ethics and craftsmanship still have a place in India's urban growth story.

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**For more information, log on to: https://www.navamibuilders.com**

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**Regional Office West**
Chitrapur Mutt Complex,
Malleswaram 15th Cross, Bangalore-560055.

**DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)] TO BORROWERS/ GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS**

**NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002**

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer **of Canara Bank, Regional Office West Branch** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addresses at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. The contents of the said notice are mentioned herein below.

**1. Name and Address of the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors /Guarantors:**
**1. Sri. D. Srinivasa Reddy ( Borrower)** S/o Sri Linga Reddy, D #9, 3rd Cross, Anandapura Circle, T C Palya Main Road, K R Puram Bengaluru Karnataka-560036 **1A. Sri. D. Srinivasa Reddy( Borrower)** Flat No. SI, Siddarth Arcade, Nallakunta Hyderabad Telangana -500044. **1B.Sri.D.Srinivasa Reddy(Borrower)** #1858, 4TH Main, 6th C Cross, New Thippasandra ,3rd stage Bangalore, Karnataka -560075. **2.Smt. Kavitha W/o Srinivasa Reddy D (Co-Borrower)** #9, 3rd Cross, Anandapura Circle T C Palya Main Road, K R Puram Bengaluru Karnataka – 560036

**[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]**

| Sl. No. | Loan No | Nature of Loan | Date of sanction | Sanctioned Amount | Liability with interest as on date 02.03.2026 | Rate of Interest |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 2698619 011287 | HOUSING LOAN | 18.08.2011 | Rs. 35,00,000/- | Rs. 32,15,863.15/- | 10.35 % + 2% penal interest |

**Total Liability Amount: Rs.32,15,863.15** (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Fifteen Thousand and Eight Hundred and Sixty Three and Fifteen Paisa only), together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

**NPA Date : 27.02.2026** **Demand Notice Dated : 02.03.2026**

**Details of Immovable Property**

**Name of Title holder:Sri D Srinivasa Reddy**

All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property bearing Site No.9, Khatha No.100/1/10/1, & 13/2, situated at Sonnathamanahalli, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk Bangalore City measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet in all admeasuring 1200 Sq Feet bounded on:East By: Remaining portion of the same Site No.9, West By: Road, North by: Site No.8, South By: Site No.10

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

**Date : 03.03.2026** **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
**Place : Bengaluru** **Canara Bank**

**BENGALURU SOUTH CITY CORPORATION**
Office of the Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, 9th Main, 9th Cross, Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560 011.

No:EE/ELE/BSCC/TEND/04/2025-26 Date: 03.03.2026

**INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)** (Only through KPP Portal)
website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

The Executive Engineer, (Elect), BSCC, Bengaluru, invites tender from eligible contractors registered in KPWD/CPWD/ Railways/MES/National Highway or any other equivalent Central/State Government Organisations for the work mentioned in the table below.

| Sl. No. | Name of the Work / Category |
|---|---|
| 1. | Electrical Repair works of all BBMP Buildings coming Under South Zone. **(SC)** **Est. Cost (₹ in Lakhs) : 12.00, EMD (in ₹) 15,000/-.** |
| 2. | Annual Electrical Maintenance and Repair work to BBMP Buildings coming Under Bengaluru South Constituency. **(CAT-II)(A).** **Est. Cost (₹ in Lakhs) : 5.00, EMD (in ₹) 6,250/-.** |
| 3. | Annual Electrical Maintenance and Repair work to BBMP Buildings coming Under Bommanahalli Constituency, **(Others).** **Est. Cost (₹ in Lakhs) : 5.00, EMD (in ₹) 12,500/-.** |
| 4. | Annual Electrical Maintenance and Repair work to Joint Commissioner Office Building in Bommanahalli Zone, **(Others).** **Est. Cost (₹ in Lakhs) : 13.00, EMD (in ₹) 32,500/-.** |
| 5. | Providing Park lights and connected accessories in BTM Layout Constituency **(Others).** **Est. Cost (₹ in Lakhs) : 18.00, EMD (in ₹) 45,000/-.** |
| 6. | Annual Electrical M & R to Electrical Crematorium including replacement of furnace coils refractory materials and periodic cleaning of scrubbers using necessary spare parks, tools and skilled man power etc., complete at Ward No.222,Kudlu of Bommanahalli Zone, **(Others).** **Est. Cost (₹ in Lakhs) : 30.00, EMD (in ₹) 60,000/-.** |
| 7. | Annual Maintenance of all telephones, Broad Band Systems and other peripherals in BBMP South Zonal Complex Building, 2nd Block, Jayanagar in Ward No.163, (3rd Call), **(Others).** **Est. Cost (₹ in Lakhs) : 2.50, EMD (in ₹) 6,250/-** |

**Calendar of Events: (1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPP Portal from **04.03.2026, (2)** Bids must be submitted online through KPP Portal on or before **12.03.2026 by 4:00 p.m. (3)** The tenders will be opened on **13.03.2026 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, BSCC.**

**GOVT. TOOL ROOM & TRAINING CENTRE**

**Rajajinagar Industrial Estate, Bengaluru-560010.**
**Ph: 080-23157189, Fax: 080-23301683**
**e-Mail: gttc.projects@karnataka.gov.in**
**Website: www.karnataka.gov.in/gttc**

Ref: GTTC/PROJ/CONS/PMC/BID-159/2025-26 Date: 02.03.2026

**e-TENDER NOTIFICATION**

E-Tenders are invited from eligible Project Management Consultants (PMC) with Third Party Inspection for the work of Supervision, Execution & Quality Control of new Projects. Tender documents are available on KPP Portal from **04.03.2026,** and the date of Pre-Bid Meeting: **12.03.2026** and the last date for uploading documents on the e-portal: **20.03.2026 up to 5:30 PM.** Further details can be obtained through KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or on Helpline No:**+ 91 80 23010900 + 91 80 23010901** during office hours.

**Sd/- Managing Director**

**SOUTHERN RAILWAY**

**Chennai Division (Mechanical Branch)**
**GEM Bid No. GEM/2026/B/7298965 dated 02.03.2026**

Divisional Railway Manager/Mechanical Branch/Chennai Division, Chennai-600 003 for and on behalf of the President of India invites ONLINE tenders for the following work as per tender notice given in the **GEM Portal https://gem.gov.in.** The tenderer(s) /contractor(s) intending to apply for e tender for Mechanical works in Chennai Division, need to get enrolled in the GEM portal **https://gem.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted.

**Description:-** "Outsourcing for attention of passenger amenity items in coaches during Primary Secondary attention of trains at BBQ, GSN & TBM Coaching depots of MAS division for a period of 2 years"

| | |
|---|---|
| **Location** | **BBQ, GSN & TBM** |
| **Advertised Tender value** | **Rs.15,13,82,961** |
| **Earnest Money Deposit** | **Rs.9,06,910** |
| **Similar nature of work** | Applicable |
| **Period of completion** | 24 months |

**Tender closing date and time: 23-03-2026 & 11:00hrs.** Details of value of tender, EMD are given in **GeM-portal https://gem.gov.in.** For details bid submission please refer to web portal **https://gem.gov.in**

**Divisional Railway Manager (Mechanical)**
**Chennai Division, Southern Railway, Chennai-600 003**

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**DAY'S DIARY**

## *Indigenous aircraft*

INS Vikrant (R11), India's first aircraft carrier, was commissioned into the Indian Navy on this day in 1961, by India's High Commissioner to the UK

**WHERE THEY LIVE**

Hercules, the fifth ship in a series of six Majestic Class aircraft carriers built for the Royal Navy during the World War II, was bought by the Indian Navy and renamed Vikrant

**CONTRIBUTION**

The INS Vikrant played a crucial role in the 1971 war in preventing reinforcement of Pakistani forces from the sea, leading to the birth of Bangladesh

**DECOMMISSION**

After serving for 36 years, she was decommissioned from active service on January31, 1997. She steamed an equivalent of 15 times around the world

*Dan Parent on Archie Comics' 85th anniversary*

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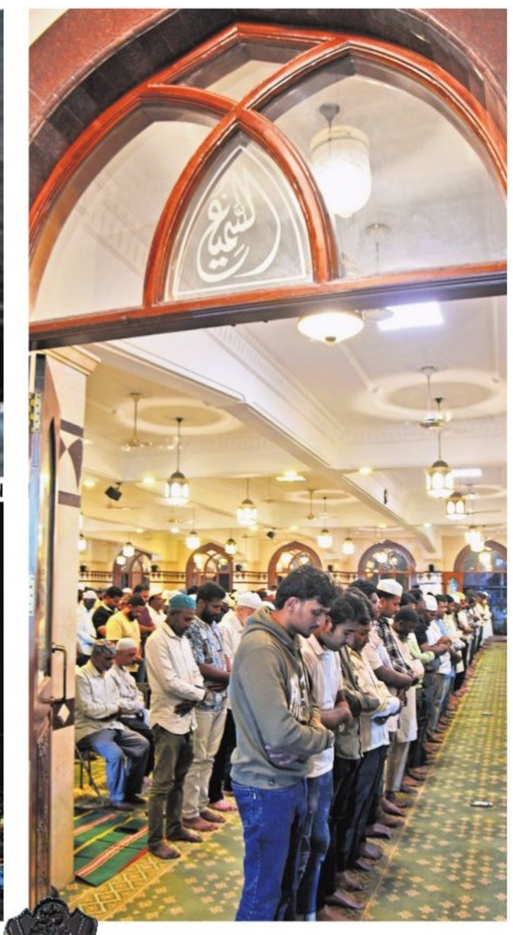
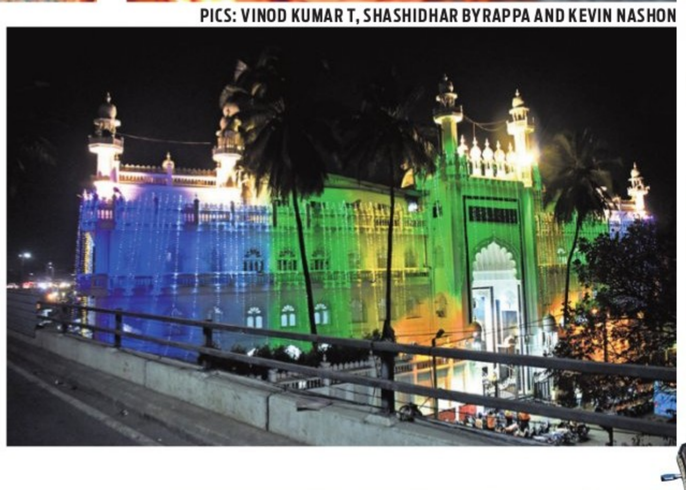
With Ramadan in full swing, B'lureans, fasting or not, have been flocking to the abundant food streets to shop, celebrate and savour the flavours of iftar specialties. On a stroll through Miller's Road, Palace Grounds, Shivajinagar, Koramangala and KR Market, we spotted shopkeepers cranking up the heat, children licking away at ice creams, caligraphists conjuring intricate designs, mosques lit up and the devout, praying within. Take a look

# PLATES FULL, HEARTS FULLER





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## KNOW YOUR CITY



**Arun Prasad**, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

**THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**. Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

**1** The township that Kempegowda planned and built in 1537 had two main streets – Doddapete and Chikkapete. While both of them are the city's oldest commercial streets, Chikkapete still carries the old name and Doddapete's name has been changed. What is the street known as today?

**2** While the iconic MG Road was known as South Parade, the road on the eastern side of the parade grounds was known as East Parade during the British regime. The Wesleyan mission church at the entrance is named after the road as East Parade Church. What is East Parade road today known as – Cubbon Road or Dickenson Road?

**3** Bengaluru had a 'Cenotaph', a 35 feet tall monument pillar built in memory of 50-odd soldiers (both British and Indian) who died in the 1791 Siege of Bangalore and other Anglo-Mysore wars. The historic pillar was demolished completely with official sanction on October 28, 1964. A prominent road leading to the Cenotaph was also named as Cenotaph Road until a few decades ago. What is the road known as today – Nrupatunga Road or Kasturba Road?

## CITY READ

### Play to explore life of iconic poet on March 8

Pravara Theatre is set to present KP Poornachandra Tejaswi's *Annana Nenapu* at 6pm on March 8 at Kalagrama Samskrutika Samuchaya, Mallatahalli. The critically-acclaimed stage production brings alive significant chapters from the life of Kuvempu, Karnataka's revered 'rashtra kavi' (state poet), through the writings of his son Tejaswi while also being a deeply personal autobiographical reflection. For details, please call 96868 69676.

### French and Indian artists to paint mural in city

Alliance Francaise network in India, in collaboration with the Embassy of France in India and the Institut Francais, is organising the fifth edition of Wall Art India. Having started on February 10, the initiative brings four internationally recognised artists – Khatra (India), Kashink (France), Kesadi (France) and Dey MKO (France/Réunion) – taking them across 15 cities. Through exchange, participation and shared creation, the artists will develop murals reflecting urban realities, identity, resilience and collective narratives. For the grand finale in Bengaluru from March 6 to 8, three of the artists will work on a collaborative mural at Alliance Francaise.

# Crossing strings and seas

American slide guitarist Joel 'Veena' Eisenkramer brings Hindustani ragas and personal storytelling to Bengaluru today

**ANJALI RAM**

WHEN the Vermont-born musician introduces himself as Joel Veena, one may think he plays the veena and hence the surname. So when Joel 'Veena' Eisenkramer goes on to the stage to play his slide guitar, with an Indian instrument in his stage surname, performing Hindustani classical music, he often begins with curiosity before his music takes over. However, for the artiste, this unusual confluence was never planned – it grew from a chance listening moment that shaped his musical path, and made him cross all barriers.

And now ahead of his Bengaluru performance this evening at the Bangalore International Centre, Domlur, he hopes people go home feeling uplifted, happy and maybe a little curious to listen to more Hindustani music. "I'm going to be playing traditional North Indian ragas on the slide guitar, and I'll also present some of my own compositions. Predominantly, I'll be telling stories from the fascinating history of Hindustani music lore. Because when we understand the context, the impact of the music is much more deeply felt," Eisenkramer says.

Talking about his unique stage name, he notes that it was born during his first tour of India in 2016. Friends pointed out that Eisenkramer, while distinctive, was not exactly concert-poster friendly, he recalls. "They said my surname is long and not catchy. We were deciding between Raga Joel and Joel Veena. Very famously, Vishwa Mohan Bhatt calls his instrument the Mohan Veena, and many artistes modify the instrument and rename it. I have no interest in renaming the instrument, but I chose the name Joel Veena in homage to the music and to the fact that this music has changed me," he says.

His musical journey began in 2007 during a semester exchange at the University of Delhi, when he was pursuing Hindi literature in translation. A chance purchase altered his trajectory. "I encountered a CD by Vishwa Mohan Bhatt in a local shop. I took it home, listened to it on my portable CD player and was completely enamoured with the sound," he remembers. Later, a series of what he calls 'chance meetings and special encounters' eventually led him into the Hindustani oral tradition.

The journey, however, was not without friction for him. He was living in Vermont, meant pursuing the music largely in isolation. "The general vibe around me was 'why are you doing this?' It would be so much easier if you just studied jazz or rock," he shares, adding, "Traversing that inertia has been the most challenging part." Staying disciplined through almost two decades of practise and repeated travel to India proved demanding. But he was then ready to tell a story of breaking barriers and of the strings attached between cultures, through the language of music.

For many, the confluence of guitar and Hindustani music may sound unique, but being a slide guitarist, he also addresses a common misconception about his instrument. "I did not adapt the slide guitar into Hindustani music at all. The lineage goes back to the 1930s when pioneers such as Brij Bhushan Kabra first shaped the Hawaiian guitar for classical performance," he explains. Later maestros, including Mohan Bhatt and Debashish Bhattacharya, refined the design with Kolkata luthier Sindhu Biswas, whose model he plays today.

Slide guitar has long been a part of the Hindustani classical music arena. And for Eisenkramer, the guitar's global familiarity helps younger listeners connect with classical music. "Many people come up after concerts and say, 'What did you do to the music? And I tell them – I didn't do anything. You're just feeling attracted to the instrument because it feels more familiar," he laughs.

> *I have no interest in renaming the instrument, I chose the name Joel Veena in homage to the music and to the fact that this music has changed me* – Joel Veena, musician

## BOOK NOOK

### Strange Buildings
**By Uketsu**

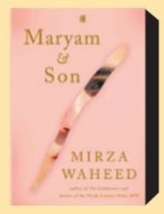
This is a dark, psychological mystery thriller. It follows the story of eleven strange buildings, each of which tells a chilling story. All of them are pieces of a puzzle intertwined by one horrifying secret.

### Grit, Blood and Glory
**By Lt Col Prem Andrews**

This book covers the spirit of the 6th Battalion, The Kumaon Regiment, and documents its eighty-six-year journey from its raising in 1941. It illustrates the saga of the regiment in the face of odds, operational excellence and fidelity, to its foundational ethos.

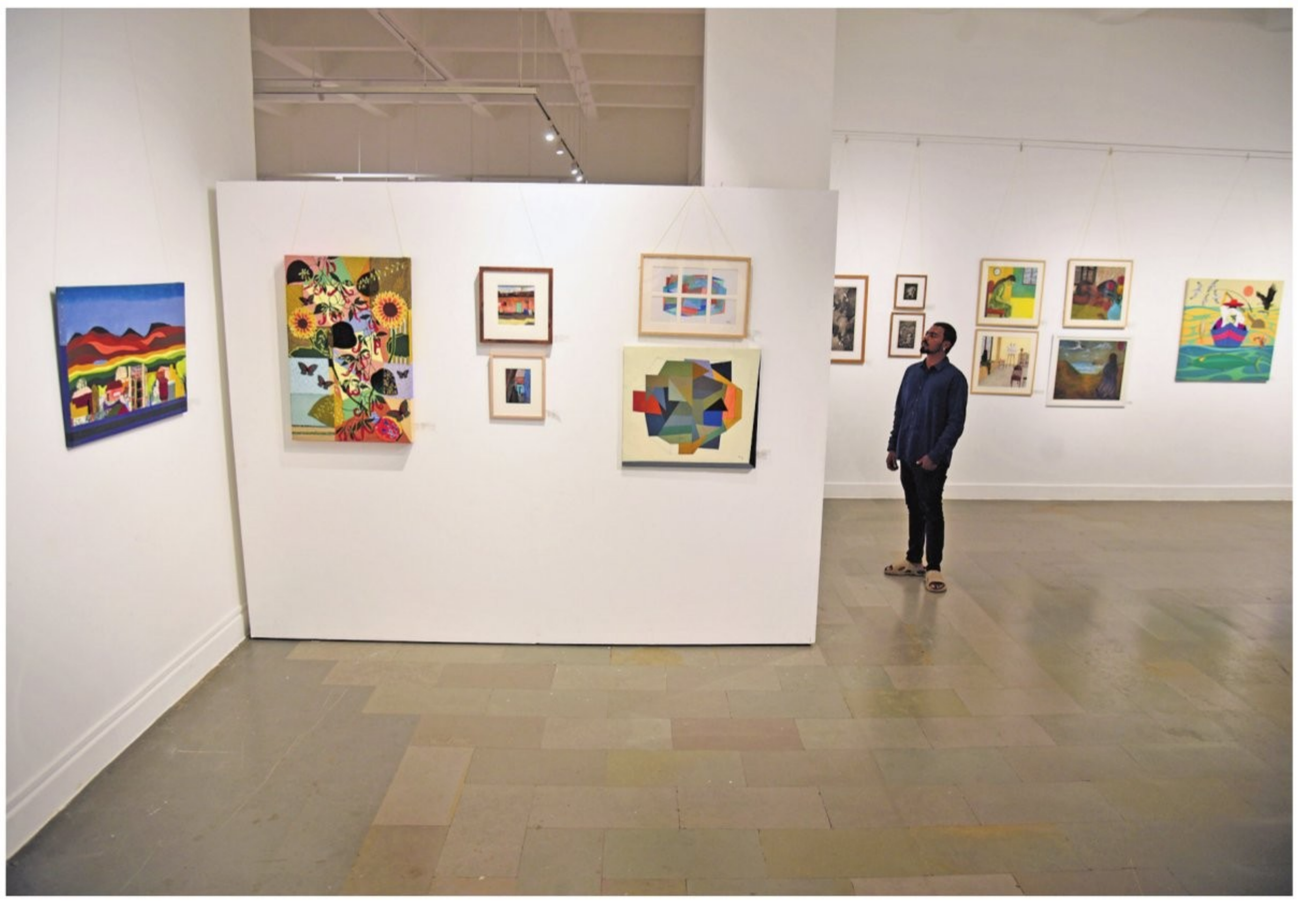
### Djinns & Kings: The Curse of Zoa
**By Shabbeer Ahmed MS**

To lift a ruinous curse from the city of Afra-Zun, a young man named Rhuzbeh must navigate vast oceans and battle mythical creatures to retrieve three lost gems for warring djinn factions.




### Maryam & Son
**By Mirza Waheed**

How does a mother grieve a child who may have done terrible things? Mirza Waheed tells a gripping tale of motherhood, family, desire and limits of knowing those we love the most.



LOST IN COLOURS

Artist Tanay Sanath pauses before the artworks at the Credence Kalamandir Alumni Canvas exhibition at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath | VINOD KUMAR T

## QUICKFIX

# BREAD CHOCOLATE PUDDING

### INGREDIENTS

- **Bread slices:** 2, chopped
- **Egg:** 1
- **Cocoa powder:** 1 tbsp
- **Chocolate chunks or chips:** 2 tbsp
- **Milk:** ½ cup
- **Sugar (adjust to taste):** 2-3 tbsp
- **Cinnamon powder:** A pinch

### METHOD

- Cut the bread slices into small pieces and place them in a microwave-safe mug.
- In a bowl, whisk together milk, egg, sugar, cocoa powder and cinnamon until smooth.
- Pour this mixture over the bread pieces and gently press so the bread absorbs the liquid.
- Add the chocolate chunks on top. Microwave on high for 1 minute. Let it rest for a minute and serve warm.

Contributed by **Gomathi Karthisen,** Chennai

## NOWSTREAMING

### REGIONAL

**SECRET STORIES: ROSLIN** (Malayalam)

A troubled teen faces terror when her nightmare stalker becomes her family's charming houseguest. As her parents fall for his act, she fights to expose his true nature, leading to a startling revelation.

**Cast:** Meena, Sanjana Dipu, Anishma Anilkumar

- **Watch on:** JioHotstar

**HONEY** (Telugu)

A broken family, a forbidden ritual, and a girl caught between the real and the unreal. Honey is a haunting tale of systemic abuse, spiritual delusion, and the invisible horrors inflicted on children, where the darkest monsters aren't imaginary.

**Cast:** Naveen Chandra, Divya Pillai, Divi Vadthya

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

### FOREIGN

**BUGONIA** (English)

Two conspiracy-obsessed men kidnap the CEO of a major company when they become convinced that she's an alien who wants to destroy Earth.

**Cast:** Emma Stone, Jesse Plemons, Aidan Delbis

- **Watch on:** JioHotstar

**SUBSCRIPTION**

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## FITBIT

# WHY ANTIOXIDANTS ARE KEY FOR GYM-GOERS

**For individuals who train regularly, recovery, inflammation control and efficient energy systems are central to progress. Antioxidants play a key role in these processes by neutralising harmful molecules called free radicals. This makes them especially valuable for gym-goers, whose workouts naturally increase oxidative stress and tissue turnover.**

### WHAT ANTIOXIDANTS DO:

- Antioxidants neutralise free radicals, reduce cellular damage and support recovery.
- They serve as part of the body's internal defence system that protects muscle cells and immune function.
- Common antioxidants include vitamins C and E, beta-carotene, selenium and polyphenols found in many plant foods.

### BENEFITS OF ANTIOXIDANTS FOR PEOPLE WHO EXERCISE:

- **Improved recovery**
  By reducing oxidative damage, antioxidants help minimise muscle soreness and support faster muscle repair. This makes it easier to maintain consistent training frequencies.
- **Reduced inflammation**
  While inflammation is part of training adaptation, chronic inflammation can impair performance. Regular antioxidant intake helps keep inflammation in a healthy range without blunting training adaptations.
- **Enhanced immune support**
  Intense training temporarily suppresses immune function. Antioxidants support immune resilience, helping gym-goers stay healthy and avoid training interruptions.
- **Better cellular health**
  Antioxidant nutrients help preserve cellular integrity, supporting longevity and overall metabolic health.

### TOP ANTIOXIDANT-RICH FOODS FOR ACTIVE INDIVIDUALS

- **Berries:** Blueberries, strawberries, raspberries
- **Citrus:** Oranges, grapefruits
- **Leafy greens:** Spinach, kale
- **Nuts & seeds:** Almonds, walnuts, sunflower seeds
- **Spices & Teas:** Turmeric, green tea
- **Other fruits:** Pomegranate, cherries, grapes

Antioxidants are essential allies for gym-goers because they support recovery, reduce excessive inflammation and boost immune resilience. Including a variety of antioxidant-rich foods regularly helps manage oxidative stress naturally, making training more sustainable and effective over the long term.

**By Madhura P Behki, nutrition expert, cult – a fitness and wellness platform**

## WHATWHENWHYWHERE

### Deli-style Drift

Savour a curated co-working engagement designed for creative professionals, freelancers, and founders looking to transition into the weekend with productive energy. The session offers a sunlit, calm environment. The experience is centred on a nourishment concept, featuring a fresh deli-style counter for grazing between work intervals.

**WHEN:** March 6, 11am
**WHERE:** Copper + Cloves Studio, Domlur
**DETAILS:** urbanaut.app

### Fabric & Flair

Participate in a guided DIY session focused on garment customisation and wearable art. One can choose between manual hand-painting with fabric-safe pigments or selecting a curated design. The experience emphasises creative expression and personalisation, allowing attendees to produce a unique, functional piece of fashion in a relaxed environment.

**WHEN:** March 4, 7.45pm
**WHERE:** Fabrizo - Creative Activity Hub, BTM Layout **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

### Sun-lit Ascent

Be part of a night-to-dawn adventure at Skandagiri Trek, focusing on the 'Sea of Clouds' sunrise. The experience begins with a midnight departure from various city hubs, followed by a steady ascent through rocky terrain and lush scrub forests. Post-trek, the journey includes a cultural stop at the ancient Bhoga Nandishwara Temple.

**WHEN:** March 6, 11pm
**WHERE:** Multiple meeting points on the website
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

### Fragrance Magic

Take yourself for a 'me-date' at this hands on perfume making workshop in which you can blend your creativity and personality into a bottle. For the workshop all the materials will be provided and will be guided through the workshop.

**WHEN:** March 4, 3pm
**WHERE:** Brik Oven, Koramangala
**CALL:** 74117 22883

### Bouncing Balance

Join a massive, recreational space featuring an inflatable layout. Designed for cross-generational engagement, the environment encourages functional fitness through playful exploration, featuring complex navigation in a giant inflatable maze.

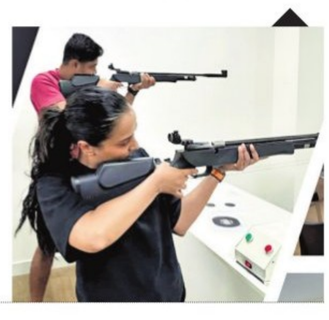
**WHEN:** March 4, 1pm
**WHERE:** Ninja Inflatable Park, Hennur Bagalur Main Road
**DETAILS:** district.in



### Bullseye Edit

Indulge yourself in an Olympic-standard indoor shooting experience focused on the 10m Air Rifle and Air Pistol disciplines. Whether visiting for recreational fun or professional-grade training, participants are guided by expert coaches on stance, breathing, and trigger control to master the art of the perfect shot.

**WHEN:** March 4, 10am
**WHERE:** Golden Ace Shooting Academy, JP Nagar
**DETAILS:** district.in



### String & Heritage

Watch a cultural performance blending traditional string puppetry with a radical narrative of defiance. Performed by hereditary Master Katputhli artist Ram Lal Bhatt and Ishwar Singh, the show retells the legendary tale of Prince Amar Singh Rathore. This specific edition transforms the folk legend into a story of resistance against feudal power and caste-based silencing.

**WHEN:** March 5, 7pm
**WHERE:** Sabha Blr, Shivajinagar
**DETAILS:** sabhablr.in

### EXPRESS CONNECT

HAVE A RECIPE OR ART WORK TO SHARE, OR A QUESTION TO ASK?

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## ARTCORNER

# CRADLE OF CONFLICT

Artist Gopi Samkramanam contemplates where the world is heading. What kind of world are we creating for our kids?

*CE* CATCHES UP WITH AMERICAN ARTIST DAN PARENT, THE CREATIVE FORCE BEHIND *ARCHIE COMICS* THAT'S SET TO MARK ITS 85TH ANNIVERSARY, DURING HIS VISIT TO INDIA

# 'Avoid AI, draw as much by hand as possible'

DEEPTHI SREENIVASAN

BACK in the '90s, hunting down an *Archie Comics* volume from the bookstores was a rite of passage. And whether one was cutting out strips from Sunday newspapers or flaunting a glossy new digest, owning a copy came with bragging rights.

For many in India, Archie was the earliest, most vibrant window into the world of American high school life – of prom nights, soda shops and the eternal tug-of-war between a blonde and a brunette.

At the heart of this universe for over three decades has been Dan Parent. An American comic book artist and writer whose name is synonymous with the modern Archie era, he has been instrumental in keeping Riverdale relevant while preserving its nostalgic soul.

Every great story has a beginning, and for Parent – who is in India – it started with 'a genuine love' for the characters. His professional journey began shortly after he graduated from the prestigious Joe Kubert School of Cartoon and Graphic Art in New Jersey. "Archie Comics was looking for fresh talent at that time," Parent recalls. "And I was looking for full-time work, so it was a good match! Not to mention, I was a long-time Archie fan."

It is heart-warming to think that the man drawing the stories was once a young boy flipping through the same pages, dreaming of Riverdale.

While he joined as a fan, he soon became an architect of the brand's legacy. In the 1990s, he spearheaded the iconic *Love Showdown* (1994), a storyline that remains a pinnacle for fans of the Betty-versus-Veronica rivalry. For Parent, the joy lay in the nostalgia, so he brought back a beloved character. Wealthy and fashionable Cheryl Marjorie Blossom acts as a third wheel in the love triangle with Archie.

"My favourite part of that project was bringing back Cheryl Blossom," he says. "She was a fan-favourite who had disappeared for a while."

One of Parent's most significant contributions to pop culture was the creation of Kevin Keller, Riverdale's first openly gay character. At a time when the world was starting to talk more about seeing themselves in stories, Parent saw it as a natural progression for the town. "Riverdale has always been a place for diversity," he says. "The time just seemed right for a gay character. The fans and the general public agreed!"

Staying creative within such a famous brand isn't always easy. Highlighting the challenges of working on titles like 'Cheryl Blossom' or 'Betty & Veronica Spectacular', Parent notes, "Keeping the stories fun and fresh without repeating yourself is the biggest challenge for a creator."

In 1996, Parent became a freelancer, working on titles like *Archie & Friends* and also taking on projects for other companies such as Felix the Cat Productions, Marvel Comics, Mattel, Disney, HarperCollins and Golden Books.

Yet, he always respected the 'Archie way' of doing things. "There were art constrictions to stay in the Archie 'house style'; they wanted us to keep that classic Dan DeCarlo look going as much as possible," he explains.

Recently, Parent has been taking readers into the stratosphere with the *Space Adventures O.S.* series featuring Cosmo: The Mighty Martian. "Updating characters like Cosmo is fun! We don't do enough space stories, so anytime I get to work on one, it's a treat," he says.

Over the years, his art style has evolved. "It has loosened up, which has made me a better artist. I am open to different styles. It's fun to experiment," he says.

As we move through 2026, Parent is busier than ever. With the 85th anniversary of *Archie Comics* just around the corner, fans can expect a flurry of special projects.

"I have another book with Tom King coming out this year, and a lot of 85th anniversary projects will be announced soon," he smiles.

With the country witnessing a surge in local comic book artists and illustrators, Parent offers seasoned advice for rookies. "Hone your drawing skills. Draw as much by hand as possible and avoid AI as much as possible," he says. "Avoid shortcuts. Putting in the real work is always more rewarding."

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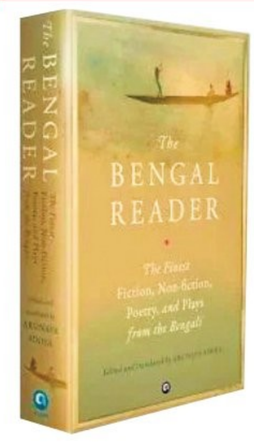
> Dan Parent, artist and writer of Archie Comics

## NUGGETS



### Book discussion in city to explore anthology's making

A literary evening in the city will celebrate *The Bengal Reader*, a most expansive anthology of Bengali writing in a single volume, on March 6. Arunava Sinha, the book's translator and editor, will be in conversation with writer Shinie Antony from 5pm to 7pm to discuss the evolution of Bengali literary over the last two centuries. The discussion at Atta Galatta in Indiranagar, will explore the making of the anthology, which features voices ranging from reformist icons to revolutionary and contemporary writers.
The conversation aims to delve into the politics and possibilities of translation, showcasing how these works engage with themes of caste, identity and social reform.
Entry to the event is free.
For more details, call 96325 10126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**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Smt JAYASHREE**, W/o Late Manjunatha H B, aged about 56 years, residing at No. 56/1, MIG, 6th Main, 2nd Stage, K.H.B. Colony, Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru-560079, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **JAYASHREE** to **JAYASHREE MANJUNATHA**, Vide affidavit dated **25.02.2026,** sworn to before **Prakasha C**, B.A., L.L.B., Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Ramya Rajesh Shenoy** W/o **Rajesh Shenoy,** residing at No 201, Achuth Nest Apartments, 7th Main Road, Annapoorneshwari Layout, Ullal Main Road, Bengaluru-560056, hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Ramya Rajesh Shenoy** to **Ramya Shenoy** and shall here after be knows as **Ramya Shenoy.** This declaration is sworn before the advocate & Notary **Aravind Patil.G G,** Bengaluru - 11 Dated 03.03.2026

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **NIMIT KULSHRESTHA**, aged about 41 years, S/o. Mr. Pravin Kumar Kulshrestha, residing at No. 2172, Shobha Palm Court, Kogilu Main Road, Near Maruthi Hospital, Maruthi Nagar, Yelahanka Post, Bengaluru-560064, do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **RAAGHAV** to **RAAGHAV KULSHRESTHA,** vide affidavit dated 03.03.2026, sworn to before K.V. Nanjaiah, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **VISHNUSREE MENON**, S/o Sunil Menon, age 23 years, R/at No. 44, Whistling Palms, ECC Road, Whitefield, Bangalore-560 066, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VISHNUSREE** to **VISHNUSREE MENON,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **VISHNUSREE MENON** for all purposes vide Affidavit dated 12-02-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **C.V.Erappa** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I hitherto known as **MANOJ H** S/o Huchappa M, residing at No 88, Anjaneya Temple Road, Lakshmipura, Vidyaranyapura post, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560097, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **SUHAS GOWDA H,** vide affidavit dated 20th January 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ARUNA .V** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SANA MAHABUB MULLA** W/o **Vaseem Ingva Qasim** R/at No. C1-402, SNN Raj Greenbay, First Main Road, Behind Tech Mahindra Electronics City Phase-2, Bengaluru- 560100 have changed my name to **SANA MULLA** vide affidavit dated: 3/3/2026 Before Notary **K.V. Mani** Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) S JAYALAXMI,** mother of NO.14679512Y, NK, S ANAND, residing at Pungankulam (Vill), Sithalai (Post), Tirumangalam (Tehsil), Madurai (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 625706, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SEKAR C** And **DOB** from **21.03.1962** to **01.05.1964** Vide Affidavit Dated 02.03.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) C SEKAR,** father of NO.14679512Y, NK, S ANAND, residing at Pungankulam (Vill), Sithalai (Post), Tirumangalam (Tehsil), Madurai (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 625706, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SEKAR C** And **DOB** from **21.03.1962** to **01.05.1964** Vide Affidavit Dated 02.03.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) R SENNARAJ,** father of NO.15323567N, HAV, S VIJAYAKUMAR, residing at House Old # 45, New #56, Nehruji Street, Kamarajapuram (Vill & Post), Subburajnagar (Post), Theni (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 625582, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SENNARAJ RAMASUBBU** And **DOB** from **01.07.1947** to **03.05.1946** Vide Affidavit Dated 02.03.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SHARANAPPA BASAPPA ADNUR,** S/o, Basappa Adnur, aged about 45 years, residing at No.91, 1st Main Road, Dattatraya Nagara, Hosakerehalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru 560085, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHARANAPPA ADNUR (Old Name)** to **SHARANAPPA BASAPPA ADNUR (New Name),** Vide affidavit dated **03.03.2026,** sworn to before **Chandrakala**, M.A., L.L.B., Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **GEETHA.N** W/o Nithyananda aged about 52 years, R/at No. Farm House, Sorahunase Village, Varthur Hobli, and Post, Bengaluru East, Karnataka -560 087, I hereby declare and affirm that **GEETA, N GEETHA and Geetha N** are one and the same person. That is Myself. Vide Affidavit Date 2/3/26 Advocate and notary by **Ravi Kumar V**

**AFFIDAVIT**
I, **SELVI M,** Wife of R Manogaran, No. 13867834A, Ex Hony HAV, R/at No.30, Ground floor, S.S Farm Road, 3rd Cross, Horamavu Agara, Banjara Layout, Bengaluru-560043 do hereby declare that both the names **Selvi M** and **Selvi** refer to one and the same person myself only, I undertake to use only the name **Selvi M** in all future correspondences and documents, vide affidavit dated: 02.03.2026 sworn to before XXIX Addl.Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru City.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **GOVINDARAJU V** S/o VENKATARAMANAPPA, residing at No. 479, Rajeev Gandhi Badavane, Doddaballapura, Distt. Bangalore Rural, State Karnataka Pin-561203, have changed the name of my minor son **SHARATH G,** aged about 9 years and he shall thereafter be known as **SHREYAN G.**

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **V. ARUN KUMAR,** aged 52 years, residing at No.64, 4th Cross, 6th Main, SRA Engineering Works, J.C. Nagar, Mahalakshmipuram Layout, Bengaluru-560086, have changed my minor Son name From **ADITYA A.** to **ADHITHYA A.** vide affidavit dated 03-03-2026 sworn before Notary **DEEPA M.** BENGALURU

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **V. ARUN KUMAR,** aged 52 years, residing at No.64, 4th Cross, 6th Main, SRA Engineering Works, J.C. Nagar, Mahalakshmipuram Layout, Bengaluru- 560086, have changed my minor Daughter's name From **DEEKSHA A.** to **DHEEKSHA ARUN KUMAR** vide affidavit dated 03-03-2026 sworn before Notary **DEEPA M.** BENGALURU.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **RAKSHA DEVI PATHANIYA**, No, TJ-6490P Rank: Sub (Hony Capt) Name Milap Singh residing at Vill-Mawa, Post-Manai, The- Harchakian, Dist- kangra (HP) today at Bengaluru have changed my name from **RAKSHA DEVI PATHANIYA** (old name) to **RAKSHA DEVI** (new name) & my date of birth is 10 March 1978, vide affidavit dated: 03-03-2026 before Notary, Leela Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SURULEESWARAN** Residing at B-14, Alpine Park apartments, Begur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 hereby state that in my minor daughter **SHRIYA SURULEESWARAN**'s School record her name is mentioned as **S.SHRIYA** instead of **SHRIYA SURULEESWARAN**. Name has been rectified as said above vide affidavit dated 02-03-2026 before Notary K.C. Shashikala, Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **KARTHIKA. C** S/o Chalapathi, aged about 26 years, residing at Kappalamadagu Village and Post. Mulabagalu Taluk, Kolar District 563131. Have changed my name from **KARTHIKA C to KARTHIK SHETTY** vide Affidavit Date 3/3/26 Advocate and notary by **Puttaramaiah**

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **ARUNA KUMARI SUGGULA,** age 65 years, D/o Raghavaiah Suggula, W/o K B V Narayan, R/at No. 1255, Surya 32nd G Cross, 28th Main, Jayanagar 4th T Block, Bangalore South, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560041 do hereby declare that all the names i.e. **SUGGULA ARUNA KUMARI, ARUNA KUMARI SUGGULA, K. ARUNA KUMARI** and **ARUNAKUMARI KALEPALLI** are one and the same and refers to me only, now I have changed my name from **K ARUNA KUMARI, ARUNAKUMARI KALEPALLI, ARUNA KUMARI KALEPALLI** and **ARUNA KUMARI K** to **ARUNA KUMARI SUGGULA** and **SUGGULA ARUNA KUMARI,** vide affidavit dated 19th Feb. 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Mr. YUVARAJ A,** S/o Mr. Annayappa K, age 48 years, R/at No. 78, 2nd Cross, 1st Main Road, Kammagondanahalli, Bangalore North, Jalahalli West, Bengaluru-560 015 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **YUVARAJ** to **YUVARAJ A,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **YUVARAJ A** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 03-03-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **N. MAHESHA** at Bangalore.

**AFFIDAVIT**
I, **K.S. NARAYANAN,** aged 51 yrs., son of Subramaniam Narayanan Kaladi, residing at B7-401, L&T South City Apartments, Off: Bannaerghatta Road, (near) Arekere Mico Layout, Bengaloruru-560076. My name is **K.S. NARAYANAN.** Subramaniam is my Father's name and Kaladi is my surname. These two names of **"K" and "S"** are the prefix to my name and I am called **"K.S. NARAYANAN** also called **Narayanan Subramaniam Kaladi"** as per sworn Affidavit dated 02.03.2026 from Mr.Mahesha J.J., Notary, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **REETA JAYAKRISHNA RAO** W/o JAYAKRISHNA RAO, residing atNo.604, Satya Greens Apartment, Kodigehalli Main Road, Thindlu, Bangalore-97, do hereby solemnly declare that **REETA JAYAKRISHNA** and **REETA JAYAKRISHNA RAO** both the names are one and the same. I further declare that I have changed my name from **REETA JAYAKRISHNA RAO** to **REETA JAYAKRISHNA** vide Affidavit dated 03.03.2026, sworn before Notary S R RAVIKUMAR, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **AKSHATHA,** D/o C Narendra, Aged about 25 years, R/at139, 8th Cross, Weavers Colony, Gottigere Post, Bannerghatta Main Road, Bengaluru 560083, have changed my name to **AKSHATHA N,** vide affidavit dated: 02.03.2026 before Notary **C.V Erappa,** Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **MRS. ELEZEBETH VINCENT,** W/o Vincent K Samuel, age 52 years, R/at No. 17/1, New Post Office Road, Sandiyagappa Layout, Mariyannapalya, Anandnagar, Bengaluru-560024 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **ELIZABETH JOHN** and **ELEZEBETH VINCENT** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **ELEZEBETH VINCENT** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-02-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **L.B. ANASUYAMMA** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SUMATHI** W/o Babu, aged about 45 years, R/at No. 821, 6th Main Road, Kamalanagar Slum Area, Bangalore-560 079 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **SUMATHI, PUNGODI** and **PUNGODI B** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SUMATHI** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 03-03-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ONKARAPPA .N.R** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **ALPANA SHAH, Aged about 43 years, D/o. Subhash Chandra Shah, residing at H-304, Arvind Skyland, Nehrunagar, Bangalore, Karnataka 560064 have changed my name from SHAH ALPANA SUBHASHCHANDRA to ALPANA SHAH** for all purposes affidavit dated 03/03/2026 sworn before advocate and notary Uday Kumar .K, Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) VIJAYALAKSHMI RAMESH,** Spouse of NO.14686324A, HAV, RAMESH P, residing at Pandavaramangalam (Vill), Kovilpatti (Post & Tehsil), Tuticorin (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 628501, Have Changed My name to **(NEW NAME) R VIJAYALAKSHMI** Vide Affidavit Dated 02.03.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SHAMA MARIYAM** residing at No.39/1, 3rd Cross, KHB Main Road, Ranka Nagar, Kaval Byrasndra, R.T.Nagar, Post, Bangalore-560032 have changed my name from **SHAMA MARIYAM KALLANGAI** (old name) to **SHAMA MARIYAM** (new name) vide affidavit dated: 28-02-2026 before Notary, Sivakumara M.N. Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **RAMA RATHNA,** W/o. Late. Mowneshwara. B.C, D/o. Garadi Pillaiah, aged about 78 years, residing at No.101/2, Near Aladamara, Karekallu, Kamakshipalya, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bengaluru-560 079, I have changed my name from **Rathnamma to Rama Rathan** vide Affidavit Date 23/2/26 Advocate and notary by **P.N.Nagesha**

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **ILYAS PASHA**, S/o. Abdul Haneef, aged about 48 years, residing at Ward No. 24, 2nd Cross, Yarab Nagar, Ramanagara-562159, Bengaluru South District, Karnataka State, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ILYAZ PASHA** to **ILYAS PASHA,** vide affidavit dated 02.03.2026, sworn to before Vinod Kumar .S, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru South District.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SURESH S**, S/o Subramani J, age 35 years, R/at No. 180, Shanti Nivasa, Sri Srinivasa Temple, Chunchaghatta Main Road, Konanakunte, Bengaluru-560062 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SURESHA S** to **SURESH S,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SURESH S** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 3rd March 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MAHESHA .J.J** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **NAGARAJ TIPTUR KRISHNAMURTHY,** aged 72 years, S/o. **Krishnamurthy Rao T.S.,** residing of No. 40/2A, F-406, B-Block, Siri Exotica Uttarahalli Main Road, Kadiranahalli, Bengaluru-560061, have changed my name from **NAGARAJA TIPTUR KRISHNAMURTHY** to **NAGARAJ TIPTUR KRISHNAMURTHY** vide affidavit dated 03-03-2026 sworn before Notary **DEEPA M.** BENGALURU.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) LEELA HEBBALI,** father of NO.16116237Y, SPR, RAVI B HEBBALI, residing at Sankeshwar (Vill), Sankeshwar (Post), Hekkeri (Tehsil), Belgaum (Dist), KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 591313, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) LEELA HEBBALI** And **DOB** from **01.07.1954** to **01.01.1952** Vide Affidavit Dated 27.02.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **MEGALA.K** Residing at No. 46/9, Om Shakthi Nilayam, 3rd Main, 16th Cross, Rajiv Gandhi Nagar, 7th Sector, HSR Layout, Bengaluru-560102 hereby state that in my daughter **R. DEESHNA**'s Lawrence High School record, Mother's name is mentioned as **MEGHALA. R** instead of **MEGALA.K.**
Name has been rectified as said above vide affidavit dated 02-03-2026 before Notary Dharani.P, Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **RAMA RATHNA,** W/o. Late. Mowneshwara. B.C, D/o. Garadi Pillaiah, aged about 78 years, residing at No.101/2, Near Aladamara, Karekallu, Kamakshipalya, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bengaluru-560 079, I have changed my name from **Rathnamma to Rama Rathan** vide Affidavit Date 23/2/26 Advocate and notary by **P.N.Nagesha**

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **VAISHNAVI RAMRAV THAKARE** (Old Name), aged 23 years, Wife of NARESH D.BHANDARI, Residing at NO.541/3, SHESHADRI AMAZE, 6TH-A-CROSS, LAKSHMINARAYANA PURA, JAIN TEMPLE, LAKSHMINARAYANAPURA, BENGALURU NORTH, SRIRAMPURAM-POST, BENGALURU-560021, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **VAISHNAVI RAMRAV THAKARE** (Old Name) to **POONAM BHANDARI** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **POONAM BHANDARI** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 29/01/2026 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU.

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I, **SUMATHI** W/o Babu, aged about 45 years, R/at No. 821, 6th Main Road, Kamalanagar Slum Area, Bangalore-560 079 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **SUMATHI, PUNGODI** and **PUNGODI B** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SUMATHI** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 03-03-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ONKARAPPA .N.R** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) R SENNARAJ,** father of NO.15323567N, HAV, S VIJAYAKUMAR, residing at House Old # 45, New #56, Nehruji Street, Kamarajapuram (Vill & Post), Subburajnagar (Post), Theni (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 625582, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SENNARAJ RAMASUBBU** And **DOB** from **01.07.1947** to **03.05.1946** Vide Affidavit Dated 02.03.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SHAMA MARIYAM** residing at No.39/1, 3rd Cross, KHB Main Road, Ranka Nagar, Kaval Byrasndra, R.T.Nagar, Post, Bangalore-560032 have changed my name from **SHAMA MARIYAM KALLANGAI** (old name) to **SHAMA MARIYAM** (new name) vide affidavit dated: 28-02-2026 before Notary, Sivakumara M.N. Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **KRISHNAPPA**, aged about 62 years, S/o. Late Hanumaiah, residing at No. 23, Kulumepalya, Kannaikana Agrahara Dakale, Near Kulumepalya Government School, Amruta Nagara Main Road, Anjanapura, Bangalore-560062, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KRISHNAPPA** to **H. MUNIYAPPA,** vide affidavit dated 27.02.2026, sworn to before Dharani .P, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
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**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) C SEKAR,** father of NO.14679512Y, NK, S ANAND, residing at Pungankulam (Vill), Sithalai (Post), Tirumangalam (Tehsil), Madurai (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 625706, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SEKAR C** And **DOB** from **21.03.1962** to **01.05.1964** Vide Affidavit Dated 02.03.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) R SENNARAJ,** father of NO.15323567N, HAV, S VIJAYAKUMAR, residing at House Old # 45, New #56, Nehruji Street, Kamarajapuram (Vill & Post), Subburajnagar (Post), Theni (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 625582, Have Changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SENNARAJ RAMASUBBU** And **DOB** from **01.07.1947** to **03.05.1946** Vide Affidavit Dated 02.03.2026 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

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# VASISHTA SIMHA TO HEADLINE RANJITH KUMAR GOWDA'S COASTAL GANGSTER DRAMA

Vasishta Simha

The team has approached Sushmitha Bhat, of Tulasi fame, to play the female lead

A SHARADHAA

VASISHTA Simha, who was last seen in *Loveli*, has signed his next project after a brief gap. The actor, known for his intense screen presence and measured choice of roles, will headline a gangster drama set in Karnataka's coastal belt.

The yet-to-be-titled film will be directed by Ranjith Kumar Gowda, who previously helmed *Apple Cake* and *Kaagada*. With this project, Ranjith ventures into darker terrain, exploring the underbelly of Mangaluru. "This is a gangster drama set in the coastal belt. It is raw, emotional, and politically layered," the director says. "When I narrated the story, Vasishta connected with it immediately and agreed to come on board."

The narrative is set in coastal Karnataka, and the makers plan to shoot extensively in and around Mangaluru, Surathkal, and Udupi to preserve the region's texture and authenticity. The coastal landscape and its socio-political atmosphere are expected to shape the film's tone significantly.

Ranjith Kumar

Sushmitha Bhat

The project produced by Dhanendra under the Janaki Combiens banner, also features a notable ensemble. Yash Shetty, Ravi Shankar, Achyuth Kumar, Sharath Lohitashwa, and Raja Belawadi will play pivotal roles, strengthening the film's dramatic canvas.

Sushmitha Bhat has been cast as the leading lady, marking her first on-screen pairing with Vasishta Simha. The actor, who has been balancing projects across Kannada, Telugu, Tamil and Malayalam industries, recently drew attention with her Kannada music video *Tulasi*, a reimagining of a Sri Purandara Dasaru kruthi composed by Sumed K. This will be her fourth Kannada film, after her debut *Kavyanjali*, *Kaljiga,* and *Chow Chow Bath*.

Shashank Seshagiri and Avinash Nagaraj have been finalised to handle the cinematography. The film is scheduled to be launched on March 6.

# Sasha Calle joins new *Exorcist* film

CE FEATURES

Following the success of Joe Carnahan's *The Rip*, Sasha Calle has joined the cast of Mike Flanagan's much-anticipated *The Exorcist*, the upcoming instalment in the critically acclaimed horror franchise. She joins the previously announced ensemble cast, which includes Scarlett Johansson, Jacobi Jupe, Diane Lane, Chiwetel Ejiofor and Laurence Fishburne.

As reported earlier, the new instalment of the iconic horror franchise will be a standalone story unfolding within the broader *Exorcist* universe, and it will not be tied to any of the previous *Exorcist* films. Mike Flanagan has written the script and will direct and produce through his banner, Red Room Pictures, for Universal Pictures and Blumhouse-Atomic Monster.

# Vijay Kumar's *Bheema Theeradalli* re-releases; dubbed in Telugu as *Kadapa*

CE FEATURES

FOURTEEN years ago, *Bheema Theeradalli* hit the screens with Duniya Vijay Kumar in the lead and directed by Om Prakash Rao. Produced by Anaji Nagaraj under Veera Films, the film went on to become a commercial success. Now, over a decade later, the team is gearing up to re-release the film. Director Om Prakash Rao recalls the journey fondly. "I have worked on many films with Anaji Nagaraj. Among them, *Bheema Theeradalli* made a lot of noise and enjoyed a successful run. There are many stories behind that film. Actor Lokanath, who could barely walk then, climbed the fort set and performed his scenes. Producer Anaji Nagaraj went through several struggles during the making. Eventually, the film emerged successful," he says.

He adds that the film, which was preserved on negative, has now been trimmed slightly and converted into a digital format for re-release. "I myself have watched the film over six times on YouTube. Back then, we worked extensively on the dialogues and the making," the director notes. The film will release in Kannada and Telugu on March 6, with the Telugu version titled Kadapa and expected to screen in over 150 theatres. Plans are also underway for releases in other languages.

# THE Parent TRAP

NAMRATA JOSHI

I remember watching Ned Benson's debut feature film, *The Disappearance of Eleanor Rigby*, at the Toronto International Film Festival in 2013. The collective title of three films, written and directed by Benson, its work-in-progress cut was screened at TIFF that comprised two of the films, *Him* and *Her*, with the third, *Them*, premiering a year later at Cannes. The films were all about a collapsing marriage seen from the perspective of both the husband and the wife.

Mees Peijnenburg's *A Family* does something similar, yet entirely different. A rare film that foregrounds the point of view of children facing the consequences of their parents' divorce. It received a Special Mention from the Youth Jury of the Generation 14plus section at the recently concluded Berlinale. The jury stated that one in three children in Berlin face such disquietude in life and the film makes them feel seen. The focus of *A Family* are siblings Nina (Celeste Holsheimer) and Eli (Finn Vogels). Caught in custody battles, deposing before the judge, torn between the two parents (Carice Van Houten and Pieter Embrechts) who they love and hate and feel loyal towards equally and are furious at for leaving them with a broken home and fractured family.

Told in two chapters, the film follows the same story and situations spread over three weeks, seen first from the sister's and then the brother's eyes. The crossover and repeated sequences in both their narratives bring out the ambiguities underlying the convoluted and unfathomable situation and the different ways in which each of them is processing and responding to it.

For Nina, it is a defining moment to consider escaping from the family while dealing with the issues centred on her own queer identity. For Eli, it's the time to dream of things getting back to normal, of celebrating birthdays together once again. In doing so both retreat into their own shells and in battling their inner demons get into an ugly conflict with each other. Both segments get rounded off in similar heartrending ways with their breakdowns. The film doesn't side with any of the players. Nor does it get judgmental. It makes for an immersive experience, one that takes the viewer along on the emotional journey of its characters. The film renders the emotions palpable with the writing, the camera and the performances, planting the viewers right in the middle of an intense exploration of the ugly juncture in their life.

*A Family* is unique, hard to shake off, and most impactful for the faces of Holsheimer and Vogels and the many feelings that flit across them with the camera intently focused on them and framing them in tight closeups. We observe them observing their world falling apart. It's tough to not well up seeing them packing bags, shuttling between two houses, neither of which feels like home. The inner workings of their minds are captured with empathy and make for a profoundly affecting experience, especially how the loss and grief shatter their togetherness. The shared sorrow, rather than bringing them closer, drives them apart and turns each of them incredibly lonely.

It's a quiet film drenched in sadness. But light at the end of the tunnel is their realisation that they are in it together, that in this struggle to survive, they have been around for each other, even if invisibly so. Peijnenburg doesn't lose faith in them and in the possibility of the two finding hope, healing and a sense of renewal in their own unbreakable bond and unconditional love and loyalty for each other. All it needs is a hug and sharing some chips.

CINEMA WITHOUT BORDERS

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Film: **A Family**

# I lived as a farmer for a month to play the role in *Premada Oorali*: Shri

Shri

CE FEATURES

SHRI Mahadev, who is currently part of Amulya's comeback film *Peekaboo*, with 50 per cent of its shoot completed, is equally excited about his next, *Premada Oorali*, a heartfelt musical love story that has already wrapped up filming. The upcoming film marks the return of National Award-winning director Manoj Kumar, who earlier won acclaim for his film Akshi. Interestingly, it is this project that has left Shri deeply fulfilled, especially because of the role he plays that of a farmer navigating love, family, and an emotional father-son bond.

Shri shares that stepping into the shoes of a farmer was not easy. "I practised farming for one month because I couldn't naturally get the body language right. Farmers have a macho, rustic presence. The way they stand, speak, and carry themselves is very rooted," he says. To prepare, he moved to Mandya and lived there for a month. "My day would begin at 5.30 am. I started with milking cows and worked in the fields. I observed them closely and behaved like one among them. That experience was unforgettable. It changed me as an actor and as a person," he adds. Speaking about the love story in the film, he says, "It's not just about falling in love. It's about responsibility, family, and understanding relationships."

Television actor Ramika Shivu, known for *Neenade Naa*, makes her big-screen debut as the female lead opposite Shri. Actors Tejaswini Poonacha and Rangayana Raghu play pivotal roles in the film.

Director Manoj Kumar says, "Rangayana Raghu sir is like a guiding light. Shri has put in immense effort for this role. *Premada Oorali* is a musical love story, and the background score brings soul to the narrative." Raghu adds, "When Shri told me it was a rural subject, I was instantly interested. I love village stories."

Produced under Vanilla Entertainments and Janakamma Productions, with music by Sunad Gowtham and cinematography by Rajakanth SK, the film is currently in post-production. A release date will be announced soon.

# Siddhant Chaturvedi to collaborate with *Udta Punjab* filmmaker

Siddhant Chaturvedi

Abhishek Choubey

CE FEATURES

SIDDHANT Chaturvedi, who rose to fame with his performance in Gully Boy, was recently seen in Do Deewane Seher Mein, in which he played a small-town boy who builds a new life in Mumbai on his own. In a recent interview, Siddhant spoke about his desire to tell more rooted stories from small town India, also confirming his collaboration with *Udta Punjab* filmmaker Abhishek Choubey.

Abhishek Choubey is known for films like the Ishqiya franchise, *Udta Punjab*, and Sonchiriya. His last project was the Netflix original series Killer Soup. Meanwhile, Siddharth's upcoming projects include the V Shantaram biopic, titled V Shantaram. The film, Also starring Tamannaah Bhatia, the film, which was officially announced in December, is being written and directed by Abhijeet Shirish Deshpande.

# Paul Giamatti stars in *Boutique*

CE FEATURES

ACTOR Paul Giamatti, known for his roles in family films and comedies, such as Sideways, The Holdovers, and Big Fat Liar, is set to make his comeback to the horror genre with a role in writer-director Jim Gavin's *Boutique*. The film stars him as an American tourist in an eerie coastal town in the UK. The place inspired his favourite author, but he came across a murderous group of people there.

Speaking about *Boutique*, the actor described its screenplay as "one of the best" he has read in his career and as one that is "scary, bizarre, funny, and strangely moving". Giamatti and Dan Carey are set to produce the film under their Touchy Feely Films banner, along with James Harris and Mark Lane of Tea Shop Productions and XYZ Films' Guy Danella. *Boutique* marks Jim Gavin's first feature film as a director.

He is known for his work on television, most notably as the creator of the comedy-drama series Lodge 49.